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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates
for to-day, in this region, warmer, partly
cloudy weather, occasional rains, winds mostly
southerly, stationary or falling barometer.

The paternal dollar obstinately refuses to
leave the Treasury vaults. Every possible
effort is made to force this coin out into the
hands of a business community supposed to
be clamorous for it. But all in vain, it
lingers undisturbed. Usually, the inward
flow of silver dollars is about equal to the
outflow. But, after three weeks of
pushing and coaxing, the Treasury
Department has actually succeeded in
getting rid of \$33,000, in silver dollars, in
excess of receipts. This ought to be con-
sidered a great victory for the advocates of
"the standard dollar" as a stable currency.
Thirty-three thousand dollars is a great
deal of money, and if the Government
could only shut down on the coinage and
force out silver dollars at the present rate,
the time may yet come when the bulk of
the silver dollars will be absorbed into the
circulation of the country.

What will doubtless be termed in cer-
tain circles "another reform in the Custom-
house" was announced yesterday. Capt.
BRACKETT, the Chief Special Agent of the
Treasury, who has been more active and
successful in detecting frauds upon the
revenue and preventing smuggling than any
other officer in the department, has been
deposed, and ordered to report for
duty to J. N. CURTIS, who has
been placed in command of this dis-
trict, in addition to the one north of
Albany. The efficiency of the outgoing
official was the result of large and varied
experience, special training, and unbounded
zeal. The gentleman who succeeds him is a
very respectable farmer of St. Lawrence
County, and has proved himself to be an
apt pupil in the political school of which
Gen. MERRITT, the new Collector, is a shin-
ing light. For these reasons his appoint-
ment will doubtless be considered in the
interest of that "harmonious working of the
civil service" which, according to Secretary
SHERMAN, is so much needed here. That
he has the qualifications which fit him to
discharge the difficult and responsible duties
of Chief Special Agent, will hardly be
claimed by even his warmest admirers.

Try to disguise it as they will, it is never-
theless evident that the Southern Demo-
crats regard the Independent movement
with increasing alarm. In different States
they take different methods to prevent the
growth of what they are beginning to call
"the new danger," but everywhere they
are calling upon their partisans to remain
"loyal to the old party." The State Cen-
tral Committee of Alabama has given the
matter most serious consideration, and the
result of its deliberations has been the pub-
lication of an address in which all Demo-
crats who run as Independent candidates
are threatened with a sort of political ex-
communication. They are warned that in
case of their election they need hope for no
compensation save that of "Radicals and
negroes," and it is declared that Inde-
pendents who may secure a seat in the Le-
gislation will not be permitted to enter the
Democratic caucus. It is just possible that
the Republican and Independent union thus
foreshadowed would place the Democrats in
such a minority that admission to their
causes would not be so much sought after
as it is at present.

Gen. BURNSIDE thinks that the Army
Commission will be able to agree upon a
plan of reorganization which can be sub-
mitted to Congress at its next session.
This would be a gratifying result, both in
respect of a speedy removal of a meph-
ropized tonic of political debate, and of set-

ting the question after the Fall elections.
Such a question as that of a reorganization
of the Army ought to be discussed
most fairly when the country enjoys that
comparative rest from acrimonious
political excitement which comes between
the Congressional and the Presidential
elections. But, unfortunately, the next ses-
sion of Congress is a short one. Unless the
appropriation bills and other imperative
matters are handled more judiciously than
they were during the last session, the reor-
ganization of the Army will not be reached
in time to be intelligently considered.

Greatly to the surprise and disappoint-
ment of his constituents, Congressman
GLOVER, of Missouri, says almost nothing
about "corruption" in his campaign
speeches. His great effort is chiefly di-
rected to the dissemination of his ideas
concerning inflation; and we can imagine the
disgust of a Missouri audience, familiar
with GLOVER's antics as an investigator,
when treated to a dry disquisition on the
balance of trade. But, like VOORHEES,
Mr. GLOVER thinks that "if all the
facts were known," the inauguration of
HAYES would be speedily recalled. Al-
though GLOVER must read the newspaper
reports of the Potter committee's doings,
he calmly tells the Missourians that election
frauds in the South were "contrived by
low, partisan villains, subsequently ap-
proved, adopted and supported by visiting
Republican statesmen, and finally ratified
and sanctified by a faithless Electoral Com-
mission." Mr. GLOVER has common intelli-
gence, at least, although much of his Con-
gressional career is inexplicable on that
theory. But, we must suppose, it does not
pay to be honest in Missouri.

In Boston, Mr. JOHN G. TAPPAN, Treas-
urer of the Boston Belting Company, is known
as "a high-toned defaulter." But it appears
that he was concerned in a vulgar ring; all
rings are considered vulgar in Boston. Two
of the Directors—Messrs. H. F. DURANT and
J. H. CHEEVER—had an agreement with
TAPPAN, executed in 1874, by which there
was a curious exchange of credits and prof-
its. TAPPAN lent DURANT and CHEEVER
notes of J. G. TAPPAN & Co., indorsed
by the Boston Belting Company, to the
amount of \$150,000, for four months,
renewable at maturity for two years.
In return for this, DURANT and CHEEVER
agreed to deposit \$100,000 in the capital
stock of the Belting Company in TAPPAN's
hands; and it was mutually agreed that
all parties should vote for the annual di-
vidend of 23 per cent. and that the dividends
on the hypothecated stocks should be pocketed
by TAPPAN, less \$7,000 per annum paid
to DURANT and CHEEVER. This is only
one specimen of the complication of ac-
counts which finally led to the wrecking of
the concern. The obvious inference is that
the Boston Belting Company was run ex-
clusively for the benefit of its managers,
without respect to the interest of its stock-
holders, or of common honesty.

TEN YEARS AGO.

Politics, like financial crises, may or
may not move in cycles, but that there is
a certain periodicity in the recurrence of
political problems will hardly be disputed.
One of the most clearly marked illustrations
of this may be found in a comparison of
the political issues of the present year with
those which were dealt with by the con-
ventions of both parties in 1868. The simi-
larity is all the more marked when we take
into account the widely-different aspects
of partisan activity now and then.
There is, no doubt, a superficial
resemblance between the open denunciation
of President JOHNSON by Republican
conventions in 1868 and the contemptuous
ignoring of President HAYES by the organ-
izations of his own party in 1878. Even
the internal dissensions of the Republican
Party then may be said to find their counter-
part in the factions which divide it now.
But beneath these accidental resemblances
there is, in the issues which interest the
people, which divide votes, and give char-
acter to a political struggle, a certain sug-
gestive identity of character. And these
resemblances can be traced in spite of the
fact that, compared with 1868, the present
year is a period of political apathy and
partisan inaction.

It may be remarked that in 1868 what
has come to be known as "the Southern
question" did not occupy any larger space
in Republican platforms than it does to-
day. The National Convention of 1868
congratulated the country on the assured
success of the "reconstruction project of
Congress, as evinced by the adoption in a
majority of the States lately in rebellion of
Constitutions securing equal civil and po-
litical rights to all," while the State Con-
ventions of this year have been obliged to
deplore the virtual repudiation by most of
these States of the obligations then as-
sumed. There is here an epoch of
constitutional development which be-
longs rather to history than to contempo-
rary politics. It is as impossible to
begin again the experiment of ten years
ago at the point where the Chicago Con-
vention left it as it would be to impeach
President HAYES for the "high crimes and mis-
deemeanors" of which thirty-five Senators
pronounced ANDREW JOHNSON to be guilty.
"Equal civil and political rights to all" is
as much a Republican principle as ever,
but it can no more be attained by the
methods put in operation in 1868, than it
can be interpreted in the sense in which it
would have been accepted one hundred
years ago.

The most instructive coincidence between
the political questions which were debated
in the Grant-Seymour campaign, and those
which demand solution now, relates to the
national finances. The Republican National
Convention denounced "all forms of rep-
udiation as a national crime," and de-
manded that the public debt should be paid,
"not only according to the letter, but the
spirit of the law under which it was con-
tracted." Six weeks later the National
Democratic Convention indorsed that pre-
cious piece of demagogism which is as vital
to-day as when it was hailed with vociferous
cheers in Tammany Hall ten years ago:
"One currency for the Government and the
people, the laborer and the office-holder,
the pensioner and the soldier, the producer
and the bondholder." There were Labor
Reformers, too, in those days, and their de-
mands did not essentially differ from those
formulated in the present year of grace.
The Cooper Institute "rally" of July 3,

1868, demanded payment of the public
debt, not otherwise specifically contracted,
"in the lawful currency of the United
States," the redemption of bonds in legal-
tender notes, or by three per cent. inter-
convertible bonds; the withdrawal of na-
tional bank circulation in favor of green-
backs, and the stoppage of land grants to
corporations.

There was also in 1868 a Republican
State Convention, which commended the
spirit of magnanimity which had been dis-
played to "our brothers of the South," who
had shown a loyal sympathy with the prin-
ciple of impartial suffrage; which demanded
a pure and economical administration of
public affairs, a return to specie payments,
and the payment of our national obligations;
"according to their letter and spirit," while
denouncing any attempt at repudiating
these contracts or evading their payment
as "a crime against the national
honor, only surpassed by the crime
of treason itself." Even the most
obstinate pessimist must admit that
the standards by which public men are
judged have been decidedly elevated since
1868; shall it be said that the courage
with which the party is prepared to adhere
itself to public measures has paled since
then? There are neither Presidential
Electors nor State officers to be nominated,
as there were in 1868, but there is the same
pestilential brood of economic fallacies, finan-
cial humbug, and rankly-dishonest methods
of evading national obligations to be crushed
now as then. When the whirling of time
has brought such questions once more to
the front, the Republican Party of the fore-
most commercial State of the Union cannot
afford to leave its position in regard to
them at all dubious.

FIRE INSURANCE BUSINESS.

At the request of the Superintendent of
the Insurance Department, the fire insur-
ance companies doing business in this State
have sent in returns of their financial stand-
ing on the 1st day of July. Semi-annual
statements of this kind have not before been
demanded, and if the underwriting interest
was at this time in as flourishing a condition
as it was three years ago, it would not now
be called for. But, as we pointed out
four or five months ago, the returns made
by fire insurance companies at the first of
the current year proved that they were
losing money very rapidly, and at that
time there were several corporations that
had suffered to such an extent that their
capital stock was impaired. This impair-
ment was not sufficiently great to compel
the Superintendent to forbid their further
continuance in business, but it gave evidence
of weakness which might, in much less time
than a year, make such an interdiction neces-
sary. But besides those that were ad-
mitted to be partially under water in a
financial sense, there were quite a number
of other companies that had so small an
amount of surplus that one or two moderate
losses would place them in the same un-
happy condition. During the six months
last past, unfortunate opportunities for
arriving at an impairment have not been
wanting. There have been, it is true,
no sweeping conflagrations; but in their
place there has been the constant daily
drain of small fires, which are exasperating
to underwriters from the fact that, while
they absorb a large proportion of the pre-
mium receipts, they furnish no excuse,
which the mercantile public can be made
to understand, for increasing rates.

If we were to have in this City a single
fire of such magnitude that \$3,000,000
worth of property would be destroyed, it
would not be a difficult matter to so advance
the rates of premium that the loss would be
made good by increased receipts; but a
hundred fires, coming within six months,
each involving a loss of \$30,000, could
not be so utilized, and the only course that
would then be open to the underwriters
would be to wait patiently until a suffi-
cient number of companies had
been crowded out of existence to
allow those that remained to dictate
their own terms. This, in brief, is the
process that has of late been going on.
The strong corporations, with large accu-
mulations, the results of successful business
in the past, have been pressing their weaker
associates to the wall, and hardly a week
passes that does not witness, in some of our
business centres, the withdrawal from com-
petition of one or more of these crippled
companies. But a voluntary suspension is
not always to be looked for, and hence the
heads of the Insurance Departments in the
various States are desirous of obtaining
more definite information of the present
condition of the companies than they could
get from the returns made up at the close
of last year.

Whether, as a result of this semi-annual
supervision, any number of companies will
be ordered to close their doors and cease
business, it is impossible at this writing to
say. The returns have been sent in, but no
official statement of them has yet been
made public, and all that can be learned is
from private sources. It is safe to say that
the returns will, in most instances, show a
marked falling off in the assets upon which
the insurance companies depend to meet
their losses. We have commented upon the
subject of continued losses by fire, and it is
needless to add that the rates of premium
are no higher than they were last year; but
we venture to predict that, in almost every
case, a new element of weakness will be
shown in the great depreciation that has
taken place in the investments of the com-
panies. During the present year no incon-
siderable shrinkage has occurred in some
of the most desirable forms of security,
that hitherto have not been materially af-
fected by the pressure of hard times. One
of the favorite investments of insurance
companies has been national bank stock,
on account of safety, ease of disposal, and
relative certainty of income. Some of the
companies have nearly one-half of their
assets represented by these shares, and
hold the stock of banks located in a dozen
different cities. We have no intention of
criticising the wisdom of such an outlay,
but it is not to be denied that a
depreciation has been going in the value
of this property, and that companies that
have much of it will have to submit to a
reduction in the valuation of these assets
which just now they can ill-afford to bear.
Corporate existence is not always desirable,
except to those who, in consequence of it,
hold salaried positions, and if it becomes

necessary for the State authorities to forbid
the further continuance in business of some
of the insurance companies now located
here, it may, with the gloomy outlook as to
the future, be greatly to the advantage of
the interested stockholders. It certainly
cannot fail to be of benefit to the stronger
companies to have some of their competi-
tors removed.

LAPS AND PICNICS.

Nature never does anything without an
intelligent purpose. For example, the eye,
as Dr. PALEY has demonstrated at great
length and in the most conclusive manner,
was made to see with. So, too, man was
furnished with a mustache in order that the
crackling noise made by it when it takes
fire from a match while he is in the act of
relighting a cigar-stump may warn him to
withdraw his nose from the flames. In
short, the evidence that Nature always has
a purpose in whatever she does is so con-
clusive that it may be unhesitatingly as-
sumed that when she endowed woman with
a lap and withheld that gift from man, she
acted in pursuance of a praiseworthy de-
sign.

To our short-sighted vision it may seem
that it would have been better had man
been created with a lap. A woman is never
required to hold a man on her lap, while a
man is sometimes anxious to hold a woman
—for instance, his aged and feeble grand-
mother—on what is erroneously called his
lap. To speak of a man's lap is, of course,
a misuse of language, for the best anatomi-
stists agree that he has not even a rudimen-
tary and undeveloped lap. He is, in-
deed, able to hold an occasional object, pro-
vided it is broad and flat on his knees, but
it is unscientific to confound a man's knees
with the true lap of the other sex. Never-
theless, Nature was right in giving the lap
only to women, and instead of doubting her
wisdom we should strive to discern her
real purpose.

The lap is unquestionably a most useful
and admirable organ. In its normal state
it affords ample room for a sleeping infant,
and will support a child of from 6 to 8 years
of age while subjected to the sweet mat-
ernal influence of the slumber. When ex-
panded, the lap will ordinarily hold fifteen
quarts of chestnuts, peaches, apples, or
other desirable fruit, and there have been
women whose laps would hold the entire sup-
ply of hair-pins required for their back-hair
—though, of course, laps of these enormous
dimensions are somewhat rare. It is, how-
ever, at picnics and tea-parties that the
splendid capabilities of the female lap are
especially displayed. It is an easy matter
for a lady, while engaged on a picnic, to
hold a plate of salad, another of pickled oys-
ters, a third of ice-cream, and a fourth of
cake, together with a cup of coffee, on her
lap at one and the same time. In fact, the
average capacity of the lap in such circum-
stances has been ascertained to be seven
distinct dishes, holding an aggregate quan-
tity of eleven pounds of food. At a tea-
party, scores of female laps may be seen,
in each one of which a cup of tea rests in
perfect safety, while the owner carries on
an animated conversation, and evidently
has the most perfect confidence that the
tea will not be spilled. In feats of this
kind the female lap is unique. The young
man who undertakes to hold food on his
knees, invariably comes to grief. The ut-
most he can hope to do is to balance, for a
brief period, a plate of salad on the ridge of
one of his legs, from which it sooner or
later slips, with the most painful conse-
quences. As for holding a tea-cup or a
coffee-cup on his knees, he recognizes the
utter impossibility of the thing. His only
resource is to deposit it on the floor, or on
the grass close by his side, after which he
usually steps on it, or at least kicks it over.
Out of every twenty young men who attend
a picnic, it is estimated that twelve upset
salad on their trousers, five sit down on
plates of salad, two are scalded with hot
coffee, and the twentieth man remains on
his feet and says he is not hungry.

Now, this indicates in the clearest pos-
sible manner that man is not by nature a pic-
nicking animal. Without laps, picnics are
dangerous to the integrity of trousers and
legs, and there is no way in which art can
remedy the masculine deficiency of lap. Let
women go to picnics if they choose.
They can do so without doing violence to
their clothing; but man is dying in the face
of nature when he undertakes to sit on the
grass and to manage six different kinds of
food. It is true that picnics consisting of
women alone would not be popular. Young
men are needed both to eat the legs of
chickens and to go a mile and a half in the
sun to bring water for the lemonade; but
probably the world would not be any the
worse were picnics of whatever nature to
be totally abolished.

A master mind at present residing in a
New-Jersey town has grappled successfully
with the picnic problem. The mind in
question belongs to a man who is an en-
thusiastic entomologist, and has a wonder-
ful degree of skill in training insects. With
the aid of half a dozen trained spiders,
several educated caterpillars, and a quan-
tity of wild and hungry flies and mosquitoes,
he is able to furnish parties with all the
pleasures of a picnic in his own house.
Last week he gave an experimental picnic
to a number of invited guests. The floor
of his large dining-room was strewn with
new-mown grass, plentifully mingled with
thistles. Badly-cooked food, with lemonade
that had been thoroughly warmed by the sun,
was placed on the table, and though the
guests were required to sit on the floor,
they were expected to go to the table when
hungry. The flies and mosquitoes entered
into the spirit of the affair, and were as
active as if they had been in the open air,
while the trained spiders and caterpillars
did wonders. In less than ten minutes the
ladies unanimously acknowledged that,
unless perhaps the celebrated St. Louis
Africa picnic, where a company of ladies
from Cape Town accidentally sat down on a
nest of white ants and were devoured in
forty-five minutes, with the exception of
their hair-pins and one crochet needle, no
real picnic could have been more exciting.
Only one insect—a trained spider—was
accidentally killed, but the master mind
has three others in training to take its
place, and promises that his dining-room
picnics shall compare favorably with the
best open-air picnics in the point of really
enterprising and efficient insects. To such
picnic young men, in spite of their lack of
laps, can fearlessly go, and no reasonable

male being with an immortal soul needs any
other kind of picnic.

NOISE.

Whether or not the anxieties of the time
have shaken people's nerves and weakened
their resisting power, it seems certain that a
peculiar sensibility to noise has, of late, asserted
itself. The howl of the horse and ancient mid-
night dog and the shrill nocturne of the am-
atory cat have, of course, always been obnoxious,
and have called many a correspondent into the
newspapers and occasionally a complainant
into court, followed by dog defendant and a
large delegation of exasperated and insonom-
netic neighbors. Nor is it surprising that the
elevated railroad should have provoked an in-
stant and unanimous voice of indignant remon-
strance along its line. Even in its planisimio
passages, when all muffling and sound-reducing
experiments are exhausted upon it, it will re-
main a gigantic iron harp-string stretched across
the city, played on by electricity driven by
steam, which never tire nor inform. Of
course, the road had to be, and some measure
of the noise had to be. But when all is
done that can be done to mitigate it, when
EMUSON, with his sorcerer's kit of strange in-
struments, has exhausted on his meteo-
rophone spells, it will still be a worse neighbor
than a man with an accordion and a confused
sense of his obligations to mankind, and no-
body objects to animadvert upon him. It
will very likely be abused by the exasperated
contiguous population, but its utility and
necessity are, of course, more than an ad-
equate set-off against its intolerable din.
TUBAL CAIN's second-floor lodger, if he took one,
and the next-door neighbor of ALEXANDER the
coppersmith no doubt sent forth many a
pathetic plulation complaining of the noise
in which they were doomed to live, but even
such natural and reasonable replinings could
not stop the work of these noisy craftsmen.
Had they done so, the warriors of that time
would have gone without grooves and breast-
plates and the reapers without pruning-hook-
s.

Certain tuneful, whether of the harmless,
necessary railroad or of the strident, unnecessary
evening cat, or of the passing organ with its
driving monkey, or of the amateur key-bugle
around the corner, naturally provoke popular
discontent, and this is a sign of healthy human
sensibility, against which we have nothing to
say. But how, except on the hypothesis of
a general break-up of the aesthetic
constitution, are we to account for the
delicate fastidiousness which objects to the
music of the mocking bird and brings legal
process against the feathered minstrel; and
what is to be said of the moral and religious
state of persons who rush into the newspapers
with rude complaints of a preacher that he
preaches too loud and shakes the circumference
chimney-pots.

In the chaos of a great city
clamors, one would think that all ears the
bird's voice would be thrice and ever welcome,
as bringing with it a memory and echo of that
song of her sister singer of the night which
found a path to the sad heart of RUTH when
sick for home, "she stood in tears amid the
alien corn," which breathed its charm
round "magic casements opening on the foam
of perilous seas in fair lands forlorn." And
in a world full of such unheeding wickedness,
the revellé and salute of so many false
doctrines blown out of the big ends of so many
clamorous empty buxles, it would seem as if
a revivalist preacher's voice, charged with good
words and messages of invitation and hope,
might have passed without comment, even
though it shook the arsenal and kept an eter-
nal peace in the hearts of the people, and a
social confusion. But a mocking bird, for no
offense except its song, has lately been brought
to judgment, and in effect admonished by the
court to hire a hall, and the Pastor of a Meth-
odist chapel in Perry-street has been roundly
chastised with going off every Sunday morning
and at intermittent secular seasons, like an
ecclesiastical culverin, and rendering the ad-
joining squares uninhabitable.

The testimony is not all on one side. His
parishioners find no fault, and are of the
mind that their Pastor roars who
as gently as any sucking dove, and that
his doctrines are so good that the further
they can be projected the better. We distinct-
ly take sides with the parishioners, and are
willing to ascribe the complaints to querulous
sons of Belial, flown with various beverages,
and animated by irreligious spirits and by a morbid
curiosity of the world. The fact that for an
human being to remain on the dreary peninsula
during the merciless Arctic frosts would be certain
death. An enterprising merchant of Arkhangel-
sk, however, who had profited largely by the success of
the fur-hunters, privately held a contrary opinion.
and offered a very large bounty to any man who
would venture to winter on the coast of the Arctic
circle. He was not without success. The coast was
explored by eight trappers, all men of strong
physique and sober habits, who, being provided with
arms and ammunition, a large stock of food, and a
bountiful supply of corn whisky, and the usual pre-
servatives from scurvy, set sail from Arkhangel-
sk in the fall of 1871, under the eyes of a vast crowd
of wondering spectators, who enthusiastically gave them
the name of "the eight men." But to the amazement of
the whole city, seven of the eight adventurers
returned in good health and spirits about the
middle of the ensuing July, with an enormous
hoody of furs and seal-skins. Their missing com-
panion had died of heart-complaint during a hunting
expedition, having been apparently in perfect health
up to the time of his death. The fact that the
man who had died was not the same as the one who
had returned, in fact, the account which they gave of
their dreary exile made it sound quite like a holiday
excursion. They had scooped out an underground
hut for themselves, and hoisted the Russian flag over
it. They had celebrated Christmas Day with a grand
snowballing, and had drunk the Czar's health over a
dinner of walrus-flesh on New-Year's Eve, and
celebrated the day of St. Basil on the 1st of Janu-
ary, in place of cold fish, and had sung lusty native
choruses by lamp-light, six feet beneath the snow.
So little, indeed, were they dismayed by their ter-
rible ordeal that one and all volunteered to go back
and pass another winter on the same spot, provided
their wives would accompany them; but the ladies
demanded that the idea of "the eight men" be
"beyond the Arctic circle, and the experiment
was not repeated.

POLITICAL NOTES.

Congressman Potter comes of a respectable
family.—*Cincinnati Gazette.*

Congressman Rainey, of South Carolina, has
succeeded in having a stamp Michigan in behalf
of the Republican cause.

Ex-Gov. Palmer's friends in Illinois are said
to be aiding his efforts to secure an election to the
United States Senate. But the prospect is not
flattering.

The advocates of a constitutional convention
in Louisiana have elected 131 delegates to the Demo-
cratic State Convention, and require 81 more to
secure a majority.

The Wheeling (West Va.) *Intelligencer* ex-
presses its concurrence in the opinion of THE TIMES
that the Republicans can, with proper effort, carry
the First Congressional District of that State.

The Hartford *Courant* reports that Gov.
Hobart has decided to appoint Republicans to the
recent office of Bank Commissioner of Connecticut,
and that his name will be announced in a few days.

It is reported that Mr. Ewing will get the start
of Mr. Thurman by six days in "sounding the key-
note" of the Democratic campaign in Ohio. The
nice arrangement was that the Senator should lead
off.

Gen. T. L. Cliffling, of North Carolina, says
that his political disabilities were removed by Con-
gress in the early part of 1870, without his having
previously asked it or even knowing that his name
was in the bill until after it had passed.

The Vicksburg (Miss.) *Herald* says: "The
Southern Democratic movement is being handled
after the Greenback doctrine in a manner that indi-
cates they will not be tied to Tilden's coat-tail
(that is the way Dan Voorhees put it at St. Louis),
in the next National Democratic Convention."

Congressman Jordan E. Cravens, of Arkan-
sas, has secured and caused to be published in the
Democratic papers of his district, a sort of certifi-
cate of character from Fernando Wood, denying
that he had said that Cravens hung on to a con-
siderable number of the members of the House of
Representatives, and that he had said that he had
neither brains nor cunning. Mr. Wood indorse

speaks very highly of Mr. Cravens, and says he has
never faltered in fidelity to the Democratic Party.

The Missouri Democrats, too, are having
their little quarrels over the question of the
United States Senator, and the St. Louis *Times*
seeks to make a point against Col. Broadhead,
of Frank Blair's "Broadhead letter" notoriety, by pub-
lishing a political letter written by him four years
ago, in which he opposed the plans, platform, policy,
and purpose of the Democracy of the State.

Capt. W. R. Ramsey, formerly of the One
Hundred and Eighty-fifth Ohio Volunteer, recalls
that in 1860, when Gen. Palmer, of Illinois, was in
command of the Keokuk and the remainder of the
division delivered in Lexington, by request, an address on
the political situation, and in response to an inquiry
whether the Army should be used to interfere in the
election then about to be held in that State, he used
this somewhat remarkable language: "If I were a
soldier, with musket in my hand, standing at the
polls, and I saw a rebel approaching, with the inten-
tion of voting, I should arrest him on the spot, and
if need be, shoot him down." Gen. Palmer seemed to
have changed his opinions since that remote day.

TOPICS OF THE SEASON.

Somebody has been counting the carriages in
New-York. For the last 30 or 40 years, he counted
the Ocean House 105 carriages, of which two were
four-in-hand, 2 tandems, 21 singles, and 80 pairs.
Of these only 10 pairs and two single tandems were
hired. The 105 carriages carried 64 liveried ser-
vants. Messrs. George R. Fearling and Augustus
Whitney drove the four-in-hand. Mr. J. N. A.
Griswold drove one of the tandems.

It will be gratifying to many fashionable
young men to know that an Ohio barber has in-
vented a machine by which a single cut costs the
human hair thirteen hundredths of a cent closer
to the skull than it is possible to bring it with the
clipping-machine. The barber advertises: "Any
young man who would go out into society with
locks three-eighths of an inch long, straggling down
his back, ought to be ashamed of himself."

Life is rather too cheap for comfort out in
Illinois. The records show that within the last 20
years 314 murderers have been sent to Joliet Prison
—90 of them for life, and the remainder for terms
from 1 to 25 years. One hundred have been released,
62 have been released in other ways, 21 have died
or gone to asylums for the insane, and 131 are still
in prison. Three years and six months, it is es-
timated, is the average term for a convicted murderer
in Illinois.

A rumor that Niagara Falls hackmen beg for
work at 50 cents an hour is beyond belief. The
hotel prices are said to be moderate, but the parks
and side-shows are very expensive. A party of 81
toll to cross the new suspension bridge in a two-
horse carriage. Not the least outrage is the fencing
of the Falls on the American side, and charging 25
cents to see them. On the Canadian side, where a
much better view may be had, all the points of ob-
servation are free to the public.

Mrs. Mackay, wife of the bonanza Califor-
nian, had a beautiful residence in Paris, from which
the Arc de Triomphe could

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

GILMORE'S GARDEN.—SCOTT'S HARBOR CONCERT.—The choir Thomas and his orchestra.

THE AQUARIUM.—RARE AND CURIOS FROM THE TROPICAL ATLANTIC.—Admission and evening.

THE PARIS OFFICE OF THE TIMES.

A Branch Office of THE NEW-YORK TIMES has been established in Paris, at No. 39 Rue de Lafayette, where the paper is on sale. Copies of THE TIMES may also be obtained from Mrs. Mitchell, Kiosque No. 131, Boulevard des Capucines.

THE TIMES FOR THE SUMMER.

Persons leaving the City for the Summer can have THE TIMES mailed to their address for \$1 per month.

The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in this region, partly cloudy weather, frequent rains, followed by clearing weather, winds mostly from south-west to north-west, stationary temperature, followed by rising barometer.

The public debt statement shows a decrease of two hundred and six thousand dollars during the month of July. The total amount of coin in the Treasury is two hundred and seven millions. After deducting the amount represented by coin and silver certificates, and allowing over eighteen millions held to redeem called bonds, &c., there remains available for redemption purposes a coin reserve of one hundred and forty-three millions of dollars.

Since August, 1877, the aggregate specie deposit has increased one hundred and ten and three quarters millions of dollars, while the net revenue has increased eighty-three millions. The corrected tables of imports and exports for the year ending June 30, show a decrease of fourteen millions and a quarter, or about 3 per cent., on the year's imports, and an increase of nearly ninety-two millions and a half, or about 16 per cent., on the exports. In the fiscal year 1876-7, the exports of the United States exceeded their imports by \$151,159,094; last year, the excess was \$257,832,867, or about 22 per cent. of the aggregate value of their foreign trade.

To people who think that a country is rich in proportion to the smallness of its purchases from foreign nations, the enormous balance of trade in favor of the United States for the last fiscal year ought to be reassuring. But if we may trust the evidence of the Customs receipts for July, it is evident that the import trade of the country is again looking up. A gain of \$1,137,409, or about 10 per cent., on Customs duties, as compared with July, 1877, especially when associated with an almost identical gain in internal revenue receipts, must be accepted as a solid evidence of reviving trade, whatever may be said about its effect on the trade balance in our favor at the end of the current fiscal year. The "squeezing" of a few Wall-street speculators, which is still in active progress, will not sensibly modify the general impression that we have entered on a period of more active and remunerative business.

If it should accomplish nothing else, the Hewitt committee will at least furnish a safety-valve for a great deal of mischievous nonsense. The necessity of reducing to something like coherent statement grievances such as were formulated yesterday by delegates of the Stone-cutters' Society, is a decided aid toward demonstrating their baselessness. A man who seriously maintains that the Government ought not to be permitted to do its stone-cutting where it can be done most cheaply, but should be compelled to do it in the manner and at the place calculated to give employment to the greatest number of hands, may be considered beyond the reach of argument. But he, nevertheless, represents a very large class of by no means ignorant voters, and unless he and his fellows can be taught to see the absurdity of such demands, there is a constant danger that the standard of public administration will be brought down to their level. There will always be demagogues enough willing to make political capital by catering to just such crazy notions as those ventilated before the Hewitt committee yesterday, and the longer its sessions last, the more clearly will it be perceived that what the working man of the period chiefly needs is to learn to regard himself as a member of a great and congruous nation, rather than a mere struggling unit in an isolated section of the commonwealth.

If the Greenback Party of Maine fails to make a very decided impression in the next election, their want of success will not be attributable to any lack of preliminary boasting. The leading men in the organization, and some of them are shrewd and experienced politicians, claim that they will poll not less than 40,000 votes, while others, even more sanguine, are confident that they will elect their Governor. In addition to this, they declare that they will secure two Congressional districts, a third of the State Senate, and elect county officers in Oxford, York, Arrowsroot, Somerset, and Piscataquis. While these claims may be extravagant, there can be no doubt that they are based upon some foundation. The Greenback Party in Maine has grown, with amazing rapidity; it has compact organizations in all directions, and ten journals of one kind or other fully committed to its support. Senator BLAINE displayed his usual political sagacity when he declared that this year the Republicans of Maine have to fight for money, not the Democrats, though he displayed, also, his talent for political trimming in making the declaration of the Maine platform as to what constitutes hard money as elastic as possible.

In the State Convention of South Carolina Democrats held at Columbia yesterday, Gen. WADE HAMPTON and all the State officers who have acted with him were renominated without opposition. At the same time a series of resolutions were adopted, which, for guile and inconsistency, outdo any previous efforts recently made in the same direction. After

the usual meaningless declarations to the effect that the Government must be based upon equal and exact justice to all citizens, without regard to race or color, the Democrats are urged to work together in harmony; fusions with Republicans and Independent movements are denounced; and immigration from all parts of the world invited. It is just possible that the invitation would meet with more favorable attention were it not accompanied by a clause in which Congress is requested to so amend the statutes that the outlaws of the up country may not be further "irritated," and President HAYES urged to grant amnesty to the illicit distillers. The platform is not one to inspire confidence in the men who framed or indorse it.

The attack of the London Times upon Mr. GLADSTONE was to be expected as a natural consequence of Lord Beaconsfield's present popularity; but, nevertheless, the great Liberal chief has spoken true and weighty words, which will be remembered hereafter. Turkey's attempt to crush free opinion by the suppression of the *Levant Herald* seems to have profited her little, for should the impending Ministerial crisis unsettle the one competent Minister left to her after the expulsion of MIDHAT PASHA, SAYFET PASHA will be signal for the return of the anarchy of last Spring. The summoning of the Greek Foreign Minister to St. Petersburg by the Czar himself shows that Russia recognizes the necessity of doing something to conciliate her allies, all of whom are more or less aggrieved at her seeming abandonment of their interests in favor of her own. The recent pillage of the guard-house in the Bosnian capital, though unimportant in itself, shows the temper of the native population, and should the disaffected Albanians descend from their hills in earnest, aided by the Montenegrins, who are said to have joined them, Gen. PHILIPPOVICH will find the pacification of the province no easy task. The success of the National Liberal Party in the German elections is even more decisive than at first appeared, the proportion being 19 Liberals to 6 Conservatives in the 38 districts of South Germany, and a still larger majority in the North. Prince BISMARCK's prolonged interview with the Papal Nuncio at Kissingen is considered by some to imply a wish on his part to conciliate the Ultramontane Party, but his previous policy suggests rather the lulling of their apprehensions in order to strike them a decisive blow.

THE CLASS IN POLITICAL ECONOMY.

Considering the ignorance of economic principles and the inability to grasp the causes of industrial depression which were displayed by Congress during its last session, the House of Representatives was doubtless justified in sending forth a delegation of its members to gather information and endeavor to learn something on a subject which it certainly behooves national legislators to be familiar with. It was inconsiderate to send Mr. HEWITT and his class in political economy to school without making any provision for the expenses of their tuition, but their arduous in the pursuit of learning has not been quenched by that thoughtless neglect, and they have set about their task with commendable cheerfulness and an evident determination to employ some of the best and some of the worst teachers in the country. Perhaps even the latter will be able to tell them some things which they didn't know before, for unless they can do so, they must be ignorant indeed. It is to be hoped that this class of enthusiastic learners will begin with the elements of their subject, and proceed by easy stages through its various gradations until they have mastered it completely, and that they will be able to go back to Congress next Winter prepared to shed a flood of light upon the intricacies of finance and industrial economy, to the edification and enlightenment of their fellow-members. It might have been better, perhaps, if a school had been opened at Washington during the Congressional recess, with a competent body of teachers, and attendance made compulsory upon every member of the two houses. But as that plan was not thought of in time, it only remains for Mr. HEWITT and his colleagues to improve the shining hours like faithful students, and go back as missionaries and instructors to their benighted brethren.

The resolution under which this committee was appointed assumes that labor and the productive interests of the country are greatly depressed, imperiling our national harmony and prosperity, and that this depression "comes by cause." The committee was, therefore, required to ascertain the cause of this "effect defective," and to devise and propose measures of relief. It proposes to do so by sitting for some weeks at the feet of such teachers as DAVID A. WELLS, Prof. PERCY EDWARD ATKINSON, and HENRY C. CAREY, such pretenders to wisdom as THOMAS EWING and SAMUEL F. CAREY, and sundry representatives of labor and social reform organizations. Their term of schooling cannot be very long, and it is to be hoped that they will make the best of their time and devote themselves as closely as possible to practical considerations. It is well enough for them to obtain from labor unions such information as they may have regarding the condition of working men, the numbers of the unemployed, rates of wages, and the general state of feeling, but it will be a waste of time for them to listen to the rantings of such theorists as Mr. DREYER and such mischief-makers as JUSTUS SCHWARZ. They can obtain much more useful knowledge from men who are largely concerned in the management of industrial establishments, and are familiar not only with the condition of laboring men, but with markets and prices and the general state of trade upon which that condition is dependent. The causes of depression are not to be found among the laborers themselves or in circumstances which generally come within the range of their comprehension.

The eminent professors and students of economic science who are to be summoned before the committee, will doubtless be able to give them valuable lessons in elementary principles and to submit weighty opinions upon the subject of their studies, and it is not to be denied, humiliating though it may be, that our so-called statesmen are greatly

in need of that kind of instruction. We trust they will profit by it, but, at the same time, they should have some discrimination in their choice of teachers. Not every man that has gained notoriety by noisy speeches, which secured only to expose his amazing ignorance and lack of reasoning power, is to be regarded as an authority on any branch of the inquiry. It is not so much opinions as information and the results of study which will aid the committee in arriving at sound conclusions. There are men of affairs, practically concerned in financial and commercial operations, whose testimony will be of quite as much value as the book knowledge of college professors, though the latter is not to be despised by a class of learners who have yet the elements of their subject to master.

If the committee pursue their studies conscientiously and with the humble willingness to learn that is becoming in scholars, we have no doubt that they will find the causes of depression, from which capital and commercial enterprise suffer equally with labor and "the productive interests," to be in a series of events which cannot now be recalled or their consequences averted. In seeking to devise measures of relief, "that labor may be restored its just rights, to the end that labor and all our varied interests may be encouraged, promoted and protected by liberal just, and equal laws," to quote the clumsy language of the resolution, they will doubtless find that legislation can accomplish very little and that direct interference with the relations of laborers and employers can only be productive of mischief. If they perform their task properly, they can not avoid learning that the derangement of the currency of the country has been the most prolific source of industrial and commercial distress, and almost the only one with which national legislation can properly deal, and that the only effectual remedy is to place it once for all on a stable and permanent basis. All the world's past experience, and, more emphatically, our own experience of the present day, shows us that such a basis is only to be found in a single and unvarying specie standard of payments, with which all forms of currency shall be immediately and constantly convertible. If that one lesson is thoroughly learned, and can be impressed upon a majority of Congress by the band of students now engaged in taking lessons at the Post Office, they will not have been sent to school in vain.

THE NAVY.

Secretary THOMPSON seems to have completed, at length, a tour of inspection of the yards and defenses on the North Atlantic coast, which, by dint of clam-bakes and hops, was presumably made pleasing to his party; but he can hardly have been assuaged at the magnitude or effectiveness of our naval establishment as a whole, and even the vessel that carried him broke down.

Should we take the schedule list of the Navy as its effective of war vessels, we should find them to be 117 in number, with nominally upward of a thousand guns. But if from this list we deduct the ships unfinished, those undergoing repair, those not worth repair, the school-ships, and the store-ships, we come down to only 43 vessels, with 245 guns, and an aggregate displacement, in round numbers, of 80,000 tons. Of these, only 16 are iron-clads. The rest are all wooden vessels, not one of them being of the first rate. Some of them, as Secretary THOMPSON can bear witness, are comfortable, and have a good rate of speed whenever the machinery does not break down, and are quite available as cruisers in time of peace; but only nine out of the whole number rank as even second rates.

Our few iron-clads are all relics of the war of the rebellion, designed for a special purpose, which they admirably filled, but most of them ill-suited to the age of *Dandolo* and *Inflexible*. Altogether they carry but 23 guns, and their aggregate displacement is less than 30,000 tons. They were built at a time when the only iron-clads afloat were the broadside vessels, the *Warrior* and the *Gloria*. The American monitors were, in their day, the most powerful ships in the world, being the product of exceptional scientific genius. But since then the rest of the maritime world, taught at our school, has left us behind. Only two out of our existing iron-clads have over 2,100 tons displacement. We have possibilities of fine and powerful iron-clads in the future reconstruction of the *Dictator* and the completion of the *Peritan*. But what will be done in the case of these two vessels and of the four other incomplete iron-clads, it is impossible to say.

If we turn our view from this side of the ocean to the other, the contrast is striking. We should hardly, in past times, have accounted Italy our superior on the seas. Yet she has 16 iron-clads, some of them armored from 12 to 22 inches thick. The *Dandolo* and *Dulio* are each of 10,650 tons displacement, having 22-inch armor, and carry each four enormous 100-ton guns, utterly dwarfing the 20-ton guns with which our monitors once astonished the world. Italy has in all 38 steam-vessels, carrying 694 guns. Not content with her twin monitors, just spoken of, whose tonnage equals two-thirds of our entire iron-clad Navy, she is preparing another pair, of armor and armor still more formidable. Russia has 223 steam war-vessels, carrying 561 guns; 29 are iron-clads. Little Denmark boasts armor-clads larger than any of ours. The Netherlands have 102 steam war-vessels, of which 17 are iron-clads. The Spanish Navy contains 63 screw steamers, including 10 powerful and heavily-armed iron-clads. Turkey has 33 iron-clads, carrying 144 guns, some of them with a displacement of above 8,000 tons. Thus, it is clear that even second-rate and bankrupt powers surpass ours in naval strength, as well as those with whom our country claims commercial equality. We need hardly dwell, therefore, on the screw fleet of France, comprising 317 steamers, with upward of 2,000 guns, including 53 iron-clads, of 461 guns; nor on England's nearly or quite 80 iron-clads, besides 10 more building, of which 22 have upward of 7,000 tons displacement each. This iron-clad fleet alone carries 728 guns, of which 129 range from 12 to 80 tons each, and 163 more are of 12 tons each.

Coming back from these figures to those of our own sadly-neglected Navy, the question will arise as to what the duty of Congress, which has had many such facts laid before it, really is. Our country has to

begin with the two enormous advantages of geographical isolation and freedom from foreign political entanglements; hence our new naval preparations, though imperative, can be safely made at leisure, and on a moderate scale. In addition, it is doubtful whether, regarded either as a matter of economy or of efficiency, our Navy should attempt to rival the enormous and costly iron-clads which European powers have lately been building. In some of these speed and mobility have been secondary to thick armor. As our policy does not contemplate crossing the water to attack European coasts, it is probably wiser to gradually add to the Navy iron-clads of medium size, but of the highest attainable speed, rather than to attempt costly monsters of the Italian sort. Should any new armored vessels be built, they should be required to achieve a much higher rate of speed than anything yet known in our Navy.

For coastwise defense, and also for foreign aggressive service, the chief immediate efforts of America should be directed to the encouragement and development of the torpedo system. It is evident that this must play a great part in the naval warfare of the future. Probably, no part of Mr. THOMPSON's trip impressed him more favorably than the part devoted to the torpedo exhibitions at Newport; but the department has also reason to hope soon to receive, from the studies lately directed to this subject by Capt. ERICSSON, results far surpassing even the remarkable ones obtained in Europe. In that case, this important part of the problem of coastwise defense, and of aggressive warfare in foreign waters, will be solved.

THE BOSTON DEFAUCATION.

Business morals in the virtuous City of Boston do not seem to differ from the morals of other cities. But there is a certain indignant protest on the part of the Boston sinner which has a flavor of conscious rectitude. When Mr. J. G. TAPPAN, Treasurer of the Boston Belting Company, was discovered to be a defaulter, he was waited upon by the inevitable newspaper reporter, who "wanted to know" all about it. Mr. TAPPAN was angry; he thought it insulting that a reporter should come to him and ask how much he had stolen from the company of which he was Treasurer. As for the premature publicity given to his transactions, Mr. TAPPAN indignantly said that this was "a breach of confidence." The facts were, that Treasurer TAPPAN had used the cash and the credit of the Boston Belting Company for his own private investments. If the investments had turned out well, the money and the paper of the corporation would have been made good. They turned out badly, and the company is supposed to have lost about \$800,000 in consequence. The Boston Belting Company must go into bankruptcy. Sometimes merchants and banks survive "breaches of trust" of this sort, committed by some trusty book-keeper or cashier. But it is noticeable that in this instance, as in many others of a like character, the speculating defaulter failed to make good the amount he had "borrowed," because the market went against him. If he had taken the cash of the corporation and had fled to foreign parts, he might have been called a thief. As he only used the cash and credit of the concern as if they were his own, he is technically known as a defaulter. And in his own city Mr. TAPPAN is said to be "a high-toned gentleman."

There was published in THE TIMES, yesterday, an agreement made between TAPPAN, DURANT, and CHEEVER, all officers of the corporation above referred to, which agreement was signed in September, 1874. This paper showed that TAPPAN was to lend to Messrs. DURANT and CHEEVER the paper of JOHN G. TAPPAN & Co. indorsed by TAPPAN, as Treasurer of the Boston Belting Company. The money raised on this paper (representing \$150,000), was to be used by DURANT and CHEEVER as they saw fit. Thus the credit of the corporation was lent to two officers of the concern, with the connivance of the Treasurer, who put the corporation's indorsement on the notes of a private firm. Meantime, TAPPAN, as a member of the firm of TAPPAN & Co., or in his individual capacity, received from DURANT and CHEEVER, stock of the Boston Belting Company to the amount of \$100,000, as security for the notes of his firm indorsed by the corporation. The dividends on this stock, at the rate of 23 per cent. per annum, were to be paid to TAPPAN, less \$7,000 a year, which was to be paid to DURANT and CHEEVER. It really makes no difference as to the morality of this transaction, whether DURANT and CHEEVER used the avails of the Tappan notes indorsed by Treasurer TAPPAN for their own purpose, or for the benefit of the auxiliary branches of the corporation. The fact remains that Treasurer TAPPAN authorized used the credit of the Boston Belting Company to obtain discounts on private paper, and that the avails of those discounts were in the hands of two of the officers of the corporation.

Nobody denies the genuineness of this extraordinary agreement. But Mr. DURANT, one of the parties to the covenant, and President of the corporation, is highly indignant that the agreement should have been made public. This publication, according to a Boston dispatch, he has characterized as "one of the greatest outrages ever committed." His state of mind is precisely that of Mr. TAPPAN, when, by a premature publication, it was made known that he had appropriated about \$800,000 of the company's funds which he could not replace. Mr. DURANT, curiously enough, is "very decided in placing the responsibility of the publication upon Mr. TAPPAN." Obviously, since DURANT and CHEEVER could not have published this strange paper, TAPPAN, the only other party thereto, must have done it. And it should be noticed that the immorality of the proceeding does not lie in the agreement, but in its publication. If the agreement was honest and legitimate, where is the outrage in making it public? Mr. CHEEVER, too, prints a card, in which he denounces the document, which he stigmatizes as "what purports to be a contract in writing" between himself, DURANT, and TAPPAN. We do not understand that Mr. CHEEVER denounces the agreement published yesterday in THE TIMES as a forgery. If he does, the case against him and DURANT falls to the ground, provided, of course, that the forgery is proved. But Mr. CHEEVER proceeds to explain the transac-

tions in which the three men were involved by saying that the New-York branch of the concern lost \$75,000 in 1874, and that JOHN G. TAPPAN "personally agreed to lend it" to them, "taking as collateral \$100,000 in Boston Belting Company's stock, and requiring as a condition of the loan that while he held the collateral he should receive the dividends, less 7 per centum." This is clearly the same transaction referred to in the agreement which has just been published. But, if the agreement is not a forgery, and nobody has said that it is, CHEEVER and DURANT did not borrow any money of JOHN G. TAPPAN. They borrowed his notes, indorsed by the Boston Belting Company, and on this paper the banks lent the money required. Moreover, the agreement calls for \$150,000 in TAPPAN & Co.'s notes; Mr. CHEEVER says that he borrowed only one-half of that amount. Did DURANT borrow the other half?

We have dwelt upon the details of this peculiar transaction, because it seems to show a looseness of morals in business transactions which is discouraging. It is possible that Messrs. DURANT and CHEEVER can satisfactorily explain their share of these crooked doings. It is to be hoped that they can, though the Boston committee of investigation do not hesitate to say that DURANT and the Directors were aware, in 1877, that TAPPAN was using the corporation funds, and was largely in debt on that account; and that, in 1874, the date of the agreement, DURANT agreed to TAPPAN's using the corporation's notes for his own benefit. Now that the explosion has come, CHEEVER and DURANT agree in denouncing TAPPAN. The former, in his published card, says that the report published in THE TIMES was "evidently prompted by Mr. TAPPAN." That report was condensed in Boston from the report of the committee of investigation. But it seems that the facts are objectionable. Does correct business morality demand that the facts should be suppressed?

PHRENOLOGY.

There are still a few persons in remote rural places who believe that phrenology is a science, and that its principles are true. It is very possible that the human brain would be more easily worked and more generally useful were it divided into a quantity of separate organs, each with its appropriate work. At present, when a man desires to pick up a pin from the carpet, or to ask his wife to hand him the sugar-bowl, he has to give his whole mind to it, which is, of course, far more fatiguing than it would be to employ merely the organ of picking up pins, or of asking one's wife for the sugar-bowl. Similarly, it would be an improvement if these separate organs were to have corresponding bumps on the outside of the skull, so that the precise mental condition of every person could be ascertained by examining his or her bumps. For example, if a young man, desiring an introduction to a young lady with the view of ultimately asking her to marry him, could first examine her skull and find out whether the organ of saying, "Yes, dear, I love you," is larger than that of saying, "If you ever speak to me like that again I'll call you a liar," he would be able to lay his plans intelligently. In fact, but one fault can be found with phrenology, and that is that it is not true, and there is not the trace of a shadow of a ghost of a reason for believing it to be true.

Nevertheless, Mr. Washington Smith, until recently a lecturer upon phrenology, did at one time firmly believe in its truth. He was a very young and very mild man—one of those delicate, fragile young men that seem too bright and beautiful for earth, and excite in their coarser fellow-men a wild longing to send them to another and better world without the least delay. Mr. Smith studied phrenology under the direction of a venerable instructor, whose attainments in point of hair and collar were conceded to be unequalled by his most envious rival. Having mastered phrenology so that he knew the name and situation of over eleven hundred different organs, and could describe to the minutest particulars the mental and moral character of any person whose head he might examine, Mr. Smith launched himself upon the rural districts as a lecturer upon phrenology, and accepted an invitation to deliver his first lecture at Parkersville, Conn.

There was a dearth of amusements in Parkersville, and the whole village turned out to hear "the distinguished Prof. Smith lecture, with the aid of his incomparable charts and costly casts, upon the sublime science of phrenology." The first part of the lecture consisted in a general statement of the alleged principles of phrenology, and was followed by a series of experiments upon such heads as were willing to be examined. The Parkersvillians were somewhat bashful, and for some time the only subjects who would submit their heads to the Professor were small-boys. At last, however, one Dick Hoxie, a stalwart young man, who was one of a family of eight large brothers and two vigorous sisters, was goaded by his townsmen into ascending the platform and permitting the lecturer to manipulate his head.

Mr. Hoxie was not precisely a bad young man, but he was regarded as somewhat worldly, and perhaps a little reckless. Such was also the reputation of the entire Hoxie family, and persons who had passed their house on Sundays—the house was situated about a mile from the village—alleged that the Hoxie boys pitched quarts before sunset. Mr. Smith was rather favorably impressed with his subject until he came to examine his bumps, when he found that a worse head than that of Hoxie had never come under his observation. All the really moral and commendable bumps were wanting, while the objectionable organs were wonderfully numerous and abnormally large. The organs of chicken-stealing, arson, murder, and playing on the accordion were enormous. Three mammoth organs were devoted to lying, cowardice, and general meanness, while there were nearly two dozen organs devoted to insulting girls, using bad language, borrowing chewing tobacco and forgetting to give back the paper, and other objectionable vices. Horrified as Mr. Smith was at the disclosures made by the outside of Mr. Hoxie's head, he was devoted to the truth, and would not for worlds have misrepresented that head. He would, however, have sought refuge in silence had not Mr. Hoxie rashly told him to go on and tell the truth. Accordingly, the terrible truth was told, and Mr. Hoxie's substantial

injury was exposed. To make the matter worse, the lecturer found a bump of "sharing everything with one's family," and was, hence, compelled to announce that all the young man's brothers and sisters shared his faults and vices. The audience received the description of Mr. Hoxie's bumps with great enthusiasm, and with frequent outburst testimony to its truth. This was particularly pleasing to the scientific spirit in which Mr. Hoxie received so much unpleasant information, and when the lecture was over, accepted an invitation to call at the residence of the Hoxie family the next day and examine their entire stock of heads.

The eight brothers were waiting for the lecturer when he made his promised call, and received him in a remarkably solemn manner. They invited him to take a chair, but remained standing themselves, while Mr. Richard Hoxie requested him to "repeat them statements about their bumps." He did so, but before he was through with the whole list, the eight brothers, with one accord, told him that they were satisfied, and that, as a slight testimonial of their gratitude, they would proceed to decorate him with an entirely new set of bumps. Accordingly, they fell upon him, and his physician subsequently testified that he had never, in the whole course of his professional experience, seen a patient with so many separate contusions. Mr. Smith never lectured again, and never examined another head. He has lost all faith in phrenology, and it is generally understood that he will regard any mention of that pseudo science in his presence as a personal insult.

The *Journal des Debats* lately published an account of a strong opinion advanced by it to the effect that a claim made by France against the British Government for a share of the sum awarded by the Arbitration Commission as an indemnity to the Canadians for infringement on their fishery rights by citizens of the United States. The demand is based on the pretension that by the treaties of Utrecht (1713) and Paris (1863), the right of French subjects to fish in the Gulf of St. Lawrence was recognized, and that one of the co-possessors of such fishery rights cannot alienate them without an understanding with the power that shares them with it. Lords Derby and Salisbury have refused to admit the claim, but the French Government never desists in it.

Mr. RAINEY, of South Carolina, one of the few colored Congressmen who have been able to hold their seats through "the reconciliation period," is a remarkably good specimen of his race. Highly intelligent, well informed, and strictly honest, he has done good service in Congress and credit to himself. During the closing hours of the last session, when his white associates on the Enrolled Bills Committee were drunk and asleep, or, as he himself generously expresses it, "very much exhausted," he was continually at his post, and it was because of his watchful care that still more serious blunders did not creep into important acts. In a recent interview, Mr. RAINEY has given a great deal of valuable information relative to the political condition of the State. In common with all honest men who are familiar with the facts in the case, he holds that DANIEL B. CHAMBERLAIN was legally elected to the Governorship, but he is nevertheless of the opinion that Gen. HAMPTON has discharged the duties of his office faithfully and for the benefit of all the people. Coming from such a source, this must be regarded as high praise. Regarding the condition of the "up-country" people of the Palmetto State, Mr. RAINEY gives a most interesting and truthful account. He says that they are even more ignorant and much more depraved than the negroes whom they affect to regard with so much contempt. Their one desire is to get enough money to eat and drink wisely to drink. Their habitations are in most cases broken-down log cabins, and all their surroundings filthy and squalid in the extreme. In such a community it is, of course, not to be wondered at that illicit distillers are shielded against the law, and the leaders of Hamburg massacres and Edgefield riots regarded as heroes.

It is a matter of general remark among those who have interested themselves in the subject that the opening of certain colleges to both sexes has not been attended by the results which were expected. In fact, the young ladies do not appear to be at all anxious to take advantage of an opportunity for the education of their minds. Coming from such a source, this must be regarded as high praise. Regarding the condition of the "up-country" people of the Palmetto State, Mr. RAINEY gives a most interesting and truthful account. He says that they are even more ignorant and much more depraved than the negroes whom they affect to regard with so much contempt. Their one desire is to get enough money to eat and drink wisely to drink. Their habitations are in most cases broken-down log cabins, and all their surroundings filthy and squalid in the extreme. In such a community it is, of course, not to be wondered at that illicit distillers are shielded against the law, and the leaders of Hamburg massacres and Edgefield riots regarded as heroes.

Some newspaper correspondent reported the other day that Sir HENRY LATAUD, while Lord Beaconsfield and Salisbury, he made a Knight of the Garter, but there is, in truth, not the very faintest probability of such an event. The Garter has not for centuries been conferred on any one other than a peer or a peer's eldest son, except in the case of WALPOLE when Prime Minister. In the reign of GEORGE IV. it was worn by two men, the Duke of Devonshire and Lord North and Castlereagh, the latter being made a K. G. for services similar to those of the knights just created. Sir ROBERT FLEET declined it. Lord Palmerston, a peer of Ireland, also had it. During the present reign it has been bestowed on but one diplomatist who was not a peer by birth, and that was Lord Stratford de Redcliffe, but not until he had achieved a peerage. When Sir HENRY LATAUD has attained that honor, he may aspire to the Garter, but until then he must be content with the Grand Cross of the Bath, which carries with it the privilege of supporters to a knight's coat-of-arms. Even Lord Lorne, the Queen's son-in-law, does not enjoy the Garter. He is, however, a Knight of the Bath, and probably will presently be a Knight of the Order of St. Michael and St. George, an order specially appropriated to the Colonies.

The hard times have had one good effect which has been produced, and that is the removal of a great many people from the towns and lands, always overcrowded, to the broad, uncultivated deserts of the far West. The sales of land by the Government and the railways in that region have been much larger during the last year than for many years previous. In Dakota alone the Government sold last year over 800,000 acres, several times as much as the previous year. In Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, Wyoming, and Colorado, the sales have been remarkably heavy both by Government and the railways. It is estimated that 5,000,000 to 6,000,000 more acres have been disposed of here in the past than in the preceding twelvemonth. The demand for land is so great that the whole of the West is now a scene of activity, with hosts of unemployed laborers who cling to the cities, despite their enforced idleness, and have gone to tilling the soil, one of the serious troubles of the day will have been naturally and permanently adjusted. Necessity teaches what argument and illustration never can. Political economists and newspaper scribblers might advise the poor, last year, to go West and work, but they had never seen any of the people who are now there, and who are now occupying and have not the time of idleness flowing in that most wholesome and desirable direction.

Not content with the almost numberless plans for improving the Mississippi River which are already in existence, some of the people of Memphis are agitating still another. They propose to clear out old from the Government for the purpose, but at the same time petition the Secretary of War to instruct the local engineers at New-Orleans to so alter the line of the semi-circular Bastaria Canal and make an estimate of the probable cost of completing it to a depth of 24 feet, and a width of 200 feet, with locks at each end, and with a well-arranged system of sufficient size and strength to guarantee the passage of the largest class of ocean steamers. In furtherance of this proposition, a convention of prominent residents of the Mississippi Valley is to be held in Memphis on Nov. 12. This course was decided upon at a recent meeting, and it was further resolved that Senators and members of the House be invited to inspect the river from Memphis to New-Orleans, the expense of the trip to be paid by citizens of the former place. It was further resolved that the thanks of the people of the Mississippi were due to all members of Congress who had advocated the improvement of the river, and among those mentioned as being especially worthy of this honor were Senators J. F. PATTERSON, of South Carolina; ROBERT COVINGTON, STANLEY MATTHEWS, Gen. GORDON, D. W. VOORHEES, MILTON SATELLE, MILLS ROSS, of New-Jersey, and A. M. BLISS, of New-York. It is well to know who the Mississippi River Improver" regard as their best friends.

Colonial Governorships, which for a long time were chiefly held by military officers, influential but impractical, Irish ex-members of Parliament, &c., are evidently looking up, and likely to become prizes for a different order of men. New Zealand has a Minister to govern it, and New Canada is to have a semi-civilian occupant of its vice-regal throne. Victoria, (Australia) which is regarded as the blue ribbon of Australian Governorships, will be expecting a very distinguished occupant for its throne on the next vacancy. So far as climate is concerned, the Australian Governorships are far preferable to the Canadian and Indian. Government appointments in the colonies are expected to trench on the private means, and besides Lord Dufferin, who has really been unnecessarily lavish, perhaps very few ever have done so. Lord Lorne's royal wife has a Parliamentary grant of £6,000 a year, and she further had a sum down of £150,000, so that, apart from any allowance made of him by his father, they will be amply able to maintain the costly domestic life. They have no children. The Indian Governorships are much more valuable than the colonial, and admit of large savings. It is considered that a Viceroy there can, without any difficulty, put by \$250,000. After 18 years' service a colonial Governor of first class colonies receive \$6,000 a year pension. This is the highest pension awarded to those in the service.

POLITICAL NOTES.

There is talk in the Third District of Minnesota of running Ignatius Donnelly against Gen. Washburn as a candidate for Governor.

Portsmouth, N. H., will hold its municipal election on the 6th inst. The Greenbacks have nominated a full ticket for city officers.

The Republican convention in Beaufort County, S. C., on Tuesday instructed its delegates to the State convention to nominate a full straight-out Republican ticket for State officers.

The Democratic State Committee and the editors of the Democratic papers in Illinois are to meet in Springfield on the 8th inst., to consult upon the proper management of the campaign.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) Union expresses the opinion that the nomination of Lieut.-Gov. Hull for Congress by the Democrats of the Second District of that State has made the election of a Republican easy.

The Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle heads its telegram reporting the proceedings of the Maine Republican State Convention thus: "The Ballot of Maine; Blaine's Chums meet in a Self-justification Council."

Gov. Phelps, of Missouri, thinks our rulers ought to have "more regard for the fundamental principles of our Government, a strict observance of the Constitution, and greater respect for local self government."

They tell of an Alabama politician who describes himself as a "political freederder, on a Democratic basis, with Republican variations, sandwiched with sympathy for Breckinridge secession, and a holy horror of Lincoln's free negro doctrines."

The Democrats of Alabama have a number of speakers on the stump during the closing week of the State campaign, including Gov. Houston, H. A. Herbert, John W. A. Sanford, Thomas H. Herndon, R. W. Cobb, and Gen. James T. Holtzclaw.

Congressman W. H. Felton has refused to make a prolonged joint canvass of the Seventh District of Georgia with George N. Lester, his "regular" Democratic competitor for the seat. He says: "A protracted canvass of three months and a half is neither convenient nor desirable, beginning in the heated season of the year, and ending in the winter. I invite you conventionally to meet me at certain designated points. You can do the same with me at certain appointments of your making; otherwise each candidate will make his own appointments, and fill them at his own convenience."

A Silver City dispatch says: "Two accounts of a party of six men, just reached here from the vicinity of Three Forks, Snake Creek. The scouts met the party of hostiles that killed the Platte chiefs Big George and Pretty Johnnie. They report that 'Jeff' Carter and 'Seven-up' Smith have undoubtedly been killed. Volunteers leave here to-night for the vicinity of Burnsville. Scouts have been sent on one direction, and will reach there in 20 hours. As yet no body of Indians more than 40 in number has been discovered at any point."

A Silver City dispatch says the Indians are making all through the Snake River and Owyhee country. The driver of the Boise City stage, who was wounded yesterday, is dead, and Mr. Cheesman is reported killed. There is heavy firing in the direction of Camp Lyon No. 4, and the country is being swept of stock by the Indians.

ARMY AND NAVY INTELLIGENCE.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Lieut.-Commander Yates Striding is detached from the Navy-yard at Washington and placed on waiting order; Naval Constructor R. W. Steele, from the New-York Navy-yard and ordered to duty at the League Island Navy-yard; Assistant Naval Constructor John E. Hanson, from the League Island Navy-yard and ordered to duty at the Boston Navy-yard. Commodore Parker, Superintendent of the Naval Academy, has left Annapolis for New-England, and his arrival there will host his flag on one of the practice-ships. Commander Green will be in command during his absence.

strew, who were running together, but when they turned into the home stretch, Miss Malloy retired, and Jackcreek took the lead. He was followed by Empress. At the lower end of the grand stand Empress' supporters were cheering loudly for their leader. Jackcreek, however, had the lead in hand and won by two lengths in 1:19.4. Lotterer second, Empress third, followed by Diamond and Emerald. Classmate fifth, Princeton third, Lizzie D. seventh, Empress eighth, Blondell ninth, Durango tenth, and Miss Malloy eleventh.

The result of the heat was a great treat to the calves, who were all cheering. There was a grand rush to the pool-stand to get a good view of the race.

Time	1:19.4	1:20	1:21	1:22
Field	100	90	80	50

Second Heat.—Another good start was effected. Empress taking the lead, with Miss Malloy second, followed by Lotterer, Jackcreek, Diamond, Emerald, five-farings pole, midway down the chute. Jackcreek was followed by Lotterer, and then by Empress, Malloy, second; Classmate going to the third place. Diamond and Empress being next, the others in a rank. As the race progressed, the calves were cheering as they had turned into the regular race track at the half-mile pole. Princeton faded out from the race, and Jackcreek, who had been in the lead, was followed by Lotterer, and then by Malloy, and challenged Jackcreek for the lead on the home stretch. The calves were cheering and waving their hats, and the crowd was cheering and waving their hats. The fourth place, with Robinson in the lead, and the three-quarter pole Miss Malloy fell back, and Lotterer took the lead. The calves were cheering and waving their hats, and the crowd was cheering and waving their hats. The second place, and the pair were together when they turned into the home stretch, with Jackcreek just in front of Lotterer. The calves were cheering and waving their hats, and the crowd was cheering and waving their hats. The race was won by Jackcreek, who was followed by Lotterer, and then by Diamond, and then by Emerald, and then by Classmate, and then by Princeton, and then by Lizzie D., and then by Empress, and then by Miss Malloy.

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THE FIRST MEETING AT SARATOGA ENDED.
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THE RACE—BOARDSMAN WINS THE FIFTH PURLOING DASH AND VICEROY TWO SELLING RACE.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SABATOGA, Aug. 3.—The first Summer meeting of the Sabatoga Jockey Club took place to-day. The weather was warm, but the air clear and not oppressive. The sport began in an exciting manner by the victory of Mr. Belmont's Glenely filly, out of Greedan Bend, who defeated "cracks" in a fast run race, in which she took lead shortly after the start, and was never headed. It was a terrible surprise to the prominent members of the betting ring, as the filly, they thought had no business in company with winners of Inspiration, Dan K., and Belle. Only two tickets were sold on her, and they paid to each of their fortunate owners \$249. It was the first victory of Mr. Belmont this year, and was good commencement for the new trainer, Andy Cielan. The favorite, Boardsman, won the \$2,000 Purloing Dash, by a wide margin, the mutual pool paying \$7.80. The two million dollar stakes was another surprise to the knowing ones, as Danleech defeated the favorite, Albion, very easily, and the mutual tickets paid \$18.70. The selling race fell to Vicroy, which was the first victory for the stable of Nelson & Co. this year. The tickets on him worth \$19.60.

THE RACING IN DETAIL.

THE MILE DASH.

The day's entertainment was begun with a purse of \$300, for all ages, dash of one mile, to catch the old weights, beston maidens, if 3 years or allowed 3 pounds, and if 4 years old or upward 7 pounds. There were eight entries for this, of which Danleech was the favorite. The race was a character that sorely perplexed the betting men, as the favorite was not a great amount of money, especially with the comparatively light weights who were to carry. The nominations were H. R. D.

ham's b. g. Dan K., 4 years; by Bonnie Scotland of Jennie June, 105 pounds; Odion, Bowie's f. Balte, 3 years; by Dickens, out of Belle Medley, 98 pounds; A. Smith's br. m. Inspiration, aged, Warminster, out of Sophia, 109 pounds; And Belmont's b. f., 3 years, by Imp. Glenelg, out of F. Jean, 107 pounds; J. G. Nelson & Co.'s Lady Salvers, 4 years, by Longfellow, out of General, 116 pounds; Wm. Warner & Co.'s blk. h. mare, 5 years; by Virgil, out of Maud, 114 pounds; Dwyer Brothers' blk. h. Rhadamanthus, 6 years; Leamington, out of Nemesis, 114 pounds; and Wm Astor's ch. f. Pride of the Village, 3 years; Australian, out of Dolly Carten, 90 pounds. Betting shifted considerably, but at the close of

poor-selling Dan K. was a sought-after favorite over inspiration, although the latter was invariably taken as the closer. After several pools had been sold it was announced that Virginibus would not start, and this meant to the combination book-makers, for the combinations had been taken beginning with the horse. The closing pools sold as follows:

Inspiration.....	\$300
Dan K.....	300
Belle.....	155
Rhadamanthus.....	45

There was some delay in getting them off, finally they broke away together to an excellent start, Belle being slightly in the lead, with Rhadamanthus, Dan K. and the field. Rhadamanthus rounded the turn Belmont's ally rushed to the front, length, and Belle was second, half a length ahead. Inspiration, who was a length and a half behind Rhadamanthus, Lady Salvershire. When the quarter was reached, Rhadamanthus' ally had creased her lead to a length and a half, while Inspiration had run up even with Belle. In the meantime Dan K. had moved past Rhadamanthus,

kept the pace hot along the back stretch, defying both Belle and Inspiration, who were head and head to catch her. She was a full length in front of Belle at the half-mile pole, with Pride of the Village and Belmont heading the rear of the Com. Belmont flied going at a fast rate, and kept a clear of Inspiration, who had forged past Belle while Pride of the Village came up fourth. Belmont was in the lead at the three-quarter mile stretch Belle again took the second place from Inspiration, and made an endeavor to overtake Belmont, but it was all in vain. There was a splendid struggle up the stretch between the two, but Belmont was too good for her, and she was out, but the outsider never faltered, and reached goal a winner, amid great excitement, by half a length.

length; Belle second, with Rhadamanthus at quarter, Inspiration fourth, Dan K. fifth, while L. Salyers and Pride of the Village brought up rear. The time was 1:45.

THE FIVE-FURLONG RACE.

The second affair was a purse of \$300 maiden 2-year-olds, five furlongs, for which youngsters were entered, namely, J. W. Edwards, ch. c. John W. Norton, b. Bonnie Scotland, out

Mary Gowan, 110 pounds; Pierre Lorillard's Boardman, by Bonnie Scotland, out of Woodbush (brother to Bonnie Wood), 110 pounds; J. McCullough's ch. c. George McCullough, by Harry Lassett, out of Fawn, 110 pounds; D. D. Withers, ch. g. by King Ernest, out of Echo, 107 pounds; and William Astor's ch. f. Lulu, by Harry Bassett, out of Sarah B., 107 pounds. Boardman was favorite over the field at the following rates:

Boardman.....	\$200	\$200
McCullough.....	55	55
Withers gelding.....	35	25
Lulu.....	40	35
Norton.....	40	5

They were started from the five-furlong pole, I way down the chute, and, when the flag fell, Boardman immediately rushed to the front, followed Lulu, and the others together. When they tumbled into the regular track at the half-mile pole, Boardman was three lengths before Lulu, who was a few ahead of Withers' gelding, who led McCullough's

length. Boardman increased his lead to 1 1/2 lengths on the lower turn and won easily by 3 1/2 lengths; Withers' gelding second, a length and half before Lulu, who was six lengths ahead of McCaullough, and Norton in the rear. The time was 1:04 1/2.

THE TWO MILES AND A QUARTER.

The third event was a purse of \$600, of which \$100 went to the second horse, with free entrance. All horses. With the exception of the winner of the Saratoga Cup of this year [Parole] were allowed 12 pounds, and maidens were allowed 12 pounds, 5 miles and a quarter. Four racers of good repute were

nominated for the prize, namely, George L. Le
lard's ch. c. Albert, by Australian, out of Queen Vir
ria. 94 pounds; Thomas Puryear & Co.'s ch. c. D
cheff, 3 years, by Glenelg, out of Salina, 94 pound
Thomas W. Doswell's b. & bushwacker, 4 years
Bonnie Scotland, out of Annie Bush, 108 pound
and D. J. Crouse's ch. c. Joe, 4 years, by Revolu
out of Skylight. 111 pounds. The betting on t
event was very heavy, the running of Albert in
two-mile race, when he defeated Virginius. mak

Albert.....	\$350	\$500	\$
Danicheff.....	100	100	
Bushwacker.....	100	120	
Joe.....	100	180	

The distance being two miles and a quarter, it were sent down to the three-quarter pole, Bar having the mount on Albert. Ringo, who rode Belmont filly in the first race, was on Danicheff.

Evans bestrode Bushwhacker, and William E. Ward had the fortunes of Joe in his care. A horse race, like a steeple-chase, is always interesting to the general public, and when the starters were aligned in the starting gate, all eyes were concentrated upon that spot. There was considerable delay in getting them together, Danicheff being very up and refusing to join the other horses. At last, however, the latter started Danicheff would wheel round. There were seven false attempts, something unusual so small a field. At length they broke away together.

and the flag fell, much to the relief of the spectators. Albert immediately shot out in front to make pace strong, and was followed by Danicheff. At the end of the first quarter Albert was leading, a length in front of Danicheff, who was a length and half ahead of Joe, he being lapped on the quarter by Bushwhacker. As they ran round the turn Albert allowed Albert to keep up a full stride, but held steady, and he soon got away three lengths and at the quarter pole was showing four lengths.

advance of Danicheff, who was a length ahead of Bushwacker, he being a head in front of Joe. They rushed along the back stretch Albert gradually lost his great lead, for the others were determined not to let him get too far away, and by the time the half-mile pole was reached Albert was only a length and a half in advance of Danicheff, who was a length ahead of Bushwacker, and he a half a length to Joe.

of Joe. as they came round the turn at merry pace they got still closer together. Danicheff moved up to the tail of Albert, while the other two, now yoked, followed Danicheff. Thus they passed the three-quarter pole and entered the stretch. As they ran up, the excitement among the spectators was very great, as they were lapping each other, and as they neared the finish of the

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interesting battery on the American continent. It occurs elsewhere only on the summits of the highest mountains of Colorado, at an altitude of 13,000 feet and upward, and its presence in other places can

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and the remainder into Bush Valley. The flood
unprecedented in the neighborhood.

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STUGAUNA HOUSE.....	\$2 00	\$10 and \$12

any such nonsense as humanity interfere with the rights of property. The Indians had no good and are of no value to anybody—they are a tax upon the community, parasitical nuisances. Kill 'em, kill 'em, and give the new crop a chance. The Indians teach us some, for don't they when the old party gets to be of no use just quietly take them out of the picture? That is the kindest act of a doubtful son to a sick old father. The trouble of going through a rheumatic winter.

We can't complain, for I am not the

hard knuckled fellow who would keep the Indians from swindling and keep the money in their pockets. I am not a villany all to yourselves. There are plenty of good mines only awaiting capital to develop them, and the biggest speculation of the world would be a mining syndicate with capital enough to develop mines. They could get one half of the mine by the time they had the money to develop it; in many instances, where the mines have been opened and show plenty of good rock, they will give half for a mill and machinery to work it.

On the 20th of January, 1964, the *New York Times* carried an article by O'Brien, on the "Frenzied Presidency" of John F. Kennedy, in which, in discussing the assassination attempt on the president in Dallas in 1963, appears on the calendar of the Court of General Sessions for to-morrow. Belly, who was indicted for murder, fled from the City at the time, but after 14 years' exile, deemed it safe to return, and was arrested. Owing to the great lapse of time, it was thought that great difficulty would be experienced in procuring witnesses to testify against him, but the District Attorney's office, it is understood, has succeeded in serving subpoenas on the necessary persons.

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so that we practically imposed the distinction between the two in the first place, in most cases, and the construction so complicated in others. Indeed, it is difficult to imagine how some of Mr. Vickroy's letters could be expressed in writing. And thus we find against this, the most ingeniously and logically constructed of all the proposed phonetic alphabets, the same objection that is fatal to the others—utter impracticability. Seeking to simplify, they all complicate and make more difficult the arts (if arts they must be called) of

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The steamship Bohemia, (Str.) Capt. Grumby, from Boston, arr. here today.

The steamship Victoria, Capt. WILLIAMS, left today for Boston.

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in the Middle Atlantic States and lower lake region, partly cloudy weather, occasional rain, light variable winds, mostly southerly, stationary pressure and temperature.

It is very desirable that a judicial decision should be reached as soon as possible in the matter of the Pacific Railroad lands lately declared open to preemption. The Secretary of the Interior has taken the ground that the railroad corporations have forfeited their right to dispose of the lands, the lapse of time having exhausted their original privileges. But the companies show a determination to resist any attempt to pre-empt these lands under the laws of the United States; and, in a recent circular in regard to the matter, they refer to the action of Secretary SCHREY with unnecessary superciliousness as a "so-called decision." There is no doubt of this being a decision; whether it is good law is quite another thing. And the question should be judicially decided without any unnecessary delay, and without any unnecessary display of ill-temper on the part of the disputants.

Mr. MANTON MARBLE has written a long letter on the subject of the Electoral Commission, to which he gives the taking title of "A Secret Chapter of Political History." It was Mr. MARBLE's request that this production should be printed by the newspapers without pruning or condensation, or not at all. There is nothing in the letter which would warrant THE TIMES in surrendering so much of its space as would be required to give it entire. Essays on the Electoral Commission do not have that freshness of interest to newspaper readers which Mr. MARBLE seems to think they should. The "secret history" disclosed in the letter has long since ceased to be secret, though Mr. MARBLE appears to enjoy very much the telling of Mr. TILDEN's hostility to the Electoral Commission scheme and his desire to have the election thrown into the House. It is quite natural that a man who communicates to the public the details of a political intrigue in which he had some share should consider that his tale must be of devouring interest to his hearers. But this "history" has not even the charm of novelty to recommend it. With wonderful effrontery, the writer assumes that all the old charges of "conspiracy" in Louisiana and Florida, brought against the Republicans, have been proved; and this being assumed, all the rest is plain sailing. The Republicans are supposed to have forced the Electoral Commission upon the Democratic House, and Mr. TILDEN's overthrow was complete.

On another page of THE TIMES, to-day, is printed a detailed account of Congressman GLOVER's attempt to secure from a witness before his investigating committee descriptions of seized cotton, which would have been valuable to persons who have corrupt designs on the Treasury. Some reference to this curious transaction has been made in these columns, and the letter of Mr. TOMKINS, the witness, will be found interesting reading, although it suggests a disgraceful state of things in Mr. GLOVER's committee. The witness was threatened with punishment if he persisted in his refusal to give up the marks and numbers of the seized cotton to one or two members of the committee. It is difficult to see how the possession of this particular information concerning cotton seized during the war could possibly help Mr. GLOVER's committee. But it is very plain that claim agents and dishonest schemers would be glad to secure accurate descriptions of the seized property, upon which to base fraudulent demands on the Treasury for indemnification. Mr. TOMKINS was punished, however. The committee did not get the marks and numbers of that cotton, and Mr. TOMKINS did not get his witness-fee.

There are forty-nine Democratic counties in Ohio, and there have been Democratic defections in twenty-one of them. The amounts stolen vary from \$4,000 to \$142,545. In one county the thieves destroyed their books and accounts by burning the Court-house where they were kept. And the loss of another county has not been accurately determined. But the robberies of nineteen counties foot up more than \$640,000. In every instance, the thefts were committed by Democratic office-holders, men who were justly bawling "reform" while they had both hands in the public Treasury. Curiously enough, the

Democrats no sooner secure control of a county in Ohio than they begin to steal. They steal as if conscious that their time is short and that what is to be stolen must be stolen in a hurry.

The unprecedented rush to Coney Island this Summer has not only taxed the equipment of lines of travel very severely, but has found some of the usual means of transportation quite inadequate. The steam-boats carrying passengers to the lower end of Coney Island are overcrowded on special occasions, and if there is any attempt to enforce the law regulating the number allowed to each craft, it is not perceptible to the voyager. On Saturdays and Sundays the crowding of some of these boats is not only outrageous, but highly dangerous. A panic, however causeless, on a steamer loaded to the guards with passengers, would inevitably occasion a frightful disaster. The "pleasure-seekers" in many instances are treated like cattle, to be driven about and penned up without regard to common decency. The crowds looking to the upper end of the island are better treated, but the steamers to Bay Ridge are frequently overloaded, to the terror and discomfort of the passengers. As for the arrangements of the railway station at Manhattan Beach, they are simply disgraceful. To force fifteen hundred or two thousand men, women, and children into a little waiting-room and through two narrow doorways is a cruelty which should be instantly corrected. Coney Island is a delightful place; the travel thither and back is an unmitigated nuisance.

DISTRICTS TO BE REGAINED.

Aside from the Congressional districts in the South, now represented by Democrats, but which rightfully belong to the Republicans, and could, with proper effort, be secured to them, there are a number of others in the West and North which may be regained if the coming campaign is conducted with becoming spirit and energy. In this State there are at least five such districts. These are the Eleventh, Sixteenth, Thirtieth, Thirty-first, and Thirty-second. They are all naturally Republican and should be regained. The Eleventh is now represented by "BEN" WILLIS, of "liberal" Tammany Hall tendencies. At the last election his majority was only 427, and there is every reason to believe that he would have been defeated if his Republican opponent, L. P. MORTON, had gone into the contest sooner. There is every indication that WILLIS will again be nominated this year, and in that event the Republicans will have themselves to blame if he is not defeated. During the last session he certainly did nothing to increase his reputation either for honesty or respectability. He was at the head of the ridiculous committee which spent so much time in the investigation of alleged irregularities in former administrations of the Navy Department, and was very successful in making himself the laughing-stock of the Republicans and the subject of grave charges by gentlemen of his own party. When all these facts are taken into consideration, the Eleventh District must at least be regarded as a close and doubtful one. If the Republicans in it nominate as strong a man as they readily can, and he makes an active personal canvass, without which but few candidates can be successful in this City, there is hardly a doubt that Mr. WILLIS or any other Tammany Hall nominee would be defeated.

The Sixteenth or Albany District, formerly represented by CHARLES ADAMS, a Republican, in 1876 elected TERENCE J. QUINN, a Democrat, an extensive brewer, and a man of great popularity, who spent many days before the adjournment of Congress, and for the coming term session, as well as for the ensuing Congress, Representatives will have to be chosen next November. The Democrats of the district are now greatly divided by the new National and Labor movement, and the Republicans who, even in ordinary times, have a good chance of electing their candidate, are confident that they will be successful. They will certainly be so, if the Nationalists fail to unite with the Democrats and continue in their present determination of running an independent candidate. In the Thirtieth or Rochester District there should be no doubt of Republican success, and there will be none, if the party has the good sense to give up the quarrels regarding locality which have divided it in the past. The district is clearly Republican, on a full vote, by a majority of at least 1,500. Two years ago it was lost—thrown away would be a better expression—by a petty difference between party leaders of rival sections. In the present crisis there can be no excuse for a repetition of this blunder. KIRK HART, the Democrat who succeeded because of these absurd differences, had a majority of only 600. He is a young man of large fortune, who has done nothing either good or bad in Congress, and who would continue to be the same harmless nonentity if he were returned a dozen times. There are many reasons to believe that his constituents are heartily sick of him. Yet because of his money it is more than probable that he will be again nominated. By spending a fortune he might capture the National organization, which is very strong in Rochester and so make a very good and possibly a successful fight. In any other event, however, his defeat by a respectable Republican would be a forgone conclusion.

The Thirty-first is still another naturally Republican district which is now represented by a Democrat, and which can, by proper effort, be regained. In 1876, like the Thirtieth, it was sacrificed to a stupid party quarrel. GEORGE G. HOSKINS was the regular nominee, but there were a number of ambitious people in another part of the district who thought that their locality was entitled to the nomination. They held their own convention, and named THOMAS T. FLAGLER as their candidate. In spite of strong protests from all parts of the State, both Republican nominees continued in the field; the Independent took 2,327 votes from the regular candidate, and the day after election the people who had thus been playing into the hands of their enemies were very much surprised, or, at least, professed to be very much surprised, at the announcement that CHARLES B. BENDIS had received a plurality of 404 votes, and had been elected. There seems to be no doubt, however, that he has served his first and

last term. If the Republicans continue to elect as they are at present, the majority for their candidate in the next election ought not to fall short of 3,000. There is no good reason why the party should not also meet with success in the Thirty-second or Erie District. Two years ago Mr. LOCKWOOD, a Democrat, of Buffalo, slipped in by a majority of only four hundred, and to do this was obliged to poll every vote his party had. Now, there is no doubt that the National movement will draw much more heavily from the Democrats than the Green-back craze from the Republicans, and it will be a surprise if the latter party does not regain the district. Altogether the prospect of making Republican gains in this State is a most encouraging one. The districts named belong naturally to the party. In addition, there are a number claimed by the Democrats, the Twelfth, for instance, which could be won by the right man, a thorough canvasser, and a hard, determined fight. Success need not be expected on any other terms.

FOREIGN TRADE OF THE STATES.

The last quarterly report of the Bureau of Statistics contains a table of foreign trade of the several States, which furnishes some comparisons of interest. Colorado and Nevada, Kansas and Nebraska, and Arkansas and Iowa alone, are omitted from the table. The following table shows the trade of New-England at sundry times and its percentage in the foreign trade of the whole country.

Year.	Imports.	Exports.	Percent- age of Imports.	Percent- age of Exports.
1830.....	\$12,055,000	\$9,305,000	17.0	12.6
1840.....	18,213,000	12,256,000	17.0	9.3
1850.....	32,374,000	18,187,000	18.2	8.6
1860.....	47,698,000	22,421,000	13.2	5.6
1865.....	36,300,000	24,980,000	14.6	6.3
1870.....	54,405,000	22,323,000	13.9	7.5
1875.....	55,467,000	39,955,000	12.9	6.0
1877.....	50,405,000	58,622,000	10.3	8.3

Although there is, of course, a heavy increase since 1830, there is a heavy decline shown here in imports since 1870, but the exports show an almost unbroken rise, and were highest in 1877; the proportionate share of New-England, in both imports and exports has been declining since 1850, except that her share of exports was higher in 1876-7 than in any year since 1860. These figures, which need not alarm New-England about being "left out in the cold" very soon, may be left without further remark to the curious about comparisons. Looking at the figures for separate States, we find the imports of Maine, at their highest point, \$4,304,000, in 1867, since dwindled to less than a million; New-Hampshire's imports are trivial, not having reached \$100,000 in any year since 1840, and generally falling under half that; Rhode Island averages a few hundred thousands; Connecticut is gaining, having reached her highest figure, \$1,484,000, in 1877; Vermont, an agricultural State, cut off from the sea-coast, ranks second to Massachusetts, her imports being some two hundred times those of New-Hampshire, and extending into millions. This, of course, means Canada trade, of which Vermont has a large share, in 1854 and 1855, the first two years of the reciprocity treaty, her imports were a few hundred thousands annually, but they increased at once to millions, reaching \$13,770,000 in 1866, the last year of the treaty. Turning to exports, we find busy Connecticut next to Massachusetts, and New-Hampshire again nominal, nothing being reported for 1876 and \$850 for 1877. Examining the term 1854-66, during which the reciprocity treaty was in force, in respect to the States especially engaged in Canadian trade, except New-York, (which is omitted for an obvious reason,) we find in the trade figures, nothing to show any direct falling off in consequence of the abrogation of the treaty, for, although there was in every case a marked increase of trade during its existence, that increase has been maintained since.

For purposes of trade, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Maryland are Boston, Philadelphia, and Baltimore. The figures for the States differ immaterially from those quoted elsewhere for the cities, and show a decline of imports since 1873, coupled with an increase of exports. Looking back further, we find that Massachusetts first reached \$50,000,000 imports in 1867, and the maximum of \$70,000,000 in 1872; Pennsylvania reached \$21,000,000 as long ago as 1854, had \$15,000,000 in 1867, and the maximum of \$26,000,000 in 1874; Maryland shows a more rapid rise, having nearly doubled since 1867, also having her maximum of \$29,000,000 in 1873. In exports, Massachusetts had \$30,000,000 in 1867, but has risen from \$14,000,000 in 1871 to her present maximum figure of \$44,000,000; Pennsylvania has risen from \$17,000,000 in 1870 to her present maximum of \$46,000,000, and Maryland from \$14,000,000 to \$39,000,000 in the same time.

In the far West, the most noticeable fact is the growth of California and Oregon in point of trade, and the extreme insignificance of Alaska, which must certainly be classed among "the empires yet to be." As to the States of the South which have a coast line, we compile the following comparative table, given in thousands, for the twelve years, 1850-61, next preceding the war, and the twelve years, 1865-77, following it:

Imports.		Exports.		
1850-61.	1865-77.	1850-61.	1865-77.	
Virginia.....	\$10,700	\$3,876	\$58,037	\$61,170
N. C.....	3,030	1,683	5,495	25,251
S. C.....	21,220	7,228	172,593	167,061
Georgia.....	6,290	8,492	102,342	311,580
Florida.....	1,805	4,410	28,463	33,090
Alabama.....	1,707	11,813	232,890	235,050
Miss.....	19	25		1,808
La.....	190,692	163,641	805,590	1,035,740
Texas.....	4,899	41,710	21,850	173,630

The decline of Virginia, South Carolina, and Louisiana in point of imports is very noticeable. Four of the nine States show a decline and five an increase, the heavy increase in Alabama and Texas preventing the total from being reduced. In imports, only two of the nine exceeded a million in 1877, and are entitled to rank as high as Vermont; but in exports every one of them shows a gain on comparing the two terms. Looking back over only the twelve years since the war, Virginia and North Carolina make a steady absolute gain in exports, and the same is true, less emphatically, of South Carolina. Georgia gained up to a maximum of \$33,800,000 in 1873, but has since come down to about one-half

that. Alabama and Florida have been declining. Louisiana and Texas have risen and fallen. The following table gives the percentage of the export trade of each State (omitting Mississippi) to the trade of the eight States combined at the several dates named:

Year.	Atlantic Coast.	Great Lakes.	Pacific Coast.	Northern States.
1870.....	82.98	4.51	4.78	7.71
1871.....	85.45	4.89	3.90	5.74
1872.....	85.40	4.00	5.32	5.32
1873.....	84.22	4.15	6.03	5.60
1874.....	85.81	3.43	5.30	5.23
1875.....	75.59	3.64	6.40	14.37
1876.....	83.78	3.71	7.24	6.27
1877.....	85.34	3.04	7.50	4.12

In respect to imports, the Atlantic and the Pacific coasts show a gain, and the others a loss; in respect to exports, the others show a gain at the expense of the Gulf coast. Perhaps the clearest lesson from all these comparisons is that although possession means a great deal in commercial supremacy and the currents of trade change slowly, it is nevertheless true that they can change, and that leadership in trade can be permanently retained only by recognizing and conforming to the changes in the methods and conditions under which trade is effected.

FUGITIVE CRIMINALS.

The working of extradition treaties has long since ceased to be a matter of interest or importance exclusively to students of international law. A convicted felon is not the less an undesirable person because he happens to be a foreigner, and it has long been felt by civilized communities that for the purpose of criminal justice it is desirable, in the interests of society, that all the world should be as one country. But extradition treaties which hold to the theory of "refuge-right" have long been inoperative where most needed to assist in the punishment of some fugitive criminal, who was not only the enemy of his own, but of all Governments. Take, for example, a case of two years ago, when we had an extradition difficulty with England which resulted in the suspension, for six months at least, of the treaty with the British Government. The State Department called on the English authorities to deliver up a man named LAWRENCE on the ground of a forged punishable by English laws. The request was complied with; but when the criminal had been brought back to this country in custody it was discovered that the sort of forgery of which he had been guilty was not punishable as ordinary forgery by our laws. He was, however, "wanted" on another charge—that of smuggling. But the United States treaty with Great Britain declared that a fugitive criminal extradited should be liable only to be tried on the count for which he was extradited. Her Majesty's Government insisted upon a liberal interpretation of the law, and LAWRENCE was once more a free man. During the suspension of the treaty which followed was such an interchange of criminals between the two countries as rendered it clear that, at any cost, some arrangement must be concluded.

Not only with the United States but with France was the condition of England's extradition laws a scandal and a danger. The forger, the absconding banker, all astute scoundrels, were afforded limitless opportunities to outwit the officers of the law, and to live sumptuously in Paris or in New-York on the plunder they had stolen; while fugitives from French or American justice had equal "refuge-rights" on British soil. Convinced, finally, of the existence of this pernicious and absurd system, the British public demanded its termination. Accordingly, in the Fall of 1877, a royal commission was appointed "to inquire into and consider the working and effect of the law and treaties relating to the extradition of persons accused of crime." This commission consisted of the Lord Chief-Justice of England, (COCKBURN), Lord SELWYN, Lord BLACKBURN, the late Mr. RUSSELL GURNIEY, member of Parliament, Lord JAMES BAGGALLAY, BRETT, and THESIGER, Sir JOHN ROSE, Sir JAMES STEPHEN, Sir WILLIAM VERNON HARVEY, and Mr. MCCULLAGH TORRENS. Their report, which has recently been presented to both houses of Parliament, marks the final stage in a somewhat singular transformation of public opinion in England, and is one in which this country is particularly interested.

The motives for the extradition of fugitive criminals, the Commissioners remark, "are two-fold—first, that it is for the benefit of mankind that offenses against the general well-being of society should be repressed by punishment; second, that it is against the interest of a State that its territory should become a refuge for the malefactors of other countries." The report then goes on to give reasons why all nations should concede reciprocity in extradition. Touching the question "as to whether a State should surrender its own subjects to a foreign State," the Commissioners hold that "it is inexpedient that the State should make any distinction in this respect between its own subjects and foreigners." Passing over some few of the points submitted in the report, we come to section seven, in which the absurd theory so strikingly held by Lord Derby, in his diplomatic contest with Secretary Fisk, is most effectively disposed of. From this section, which proposes to allow a man who has been surrendered for one of

fense to be tried for a second extradition offense, only one Commissioner, Mr. TORRENS, dissents. The section, as reported, reads as follows:

"7. If may happen that after a man has been surrendered for one offense, proofs of his having committed another extradition offense are discovered. In such cases there seems to be no good reason why he should not be tried on the second charge, provided only that he be not tried for a political offense, or for an offense against a mere local law. To prevent this, it should be expressly stipulated in any treaties entered into that a person surrendered on a particular charge should not be tried for any other offense except for one of an extradition character, and in cases where the surrender is made otherwise than under treaty a like condition should be imposed.

"As a further protection, the accused person should be entitled to show, in addition to his ordinary defense, that there is a risk that if he be surrendered he will be tried, detained, or punished for some offense for which he could not have been given up. No restriction should be imposed on the kind of evidence adduced in proof of this risk, save that dictated by common sense. If in this manner a proper case, in the opinion of the Government, is made out, the Secretary of State should be given a discretion in favor of the accused—either to refuse to give him up, or to make such stipulations prior to handing him over as the nature of the case might require. Under such conditions there is no reason why a foreign Government should not be allowed to try a person surrendered for other extradition offenses than the one for which he was first given up.

"The proposal that before putting the person surrendered on his trial for another extradition offense the consent of the surrendering Government should be obtained, seems objectionable, both as occasioning expense and trouble to the prosecutors, and as being in the accused unnecessary detention in prison.

Most of the remaining sections are in the nature of suggestions as to the better way to carry out an extradition treaty. In section thirteen, however, the Commissioners call attention to the fact that under the existing English laws a criminal who, having been surrendered by one foreign State to another, happens to be brought into British territory in the course of his journey, is entitled to be set free immediately on reaching British soil. The same thing may also occur if a ship on which a prisoner has been embarked comes in her passage within British waters. The Commissioners make a sensible suggestion which, if carried out, will obviate this difficulty. The report is, on the whole, a remarkably clear and decided one, and there can be no doubt as to their recommendations being approved of by Parliament. Throughout, they have approached the question of extradition from the point of view of common international interests, and there is beyond none of the old recognition of the interests of the accused except such as is strictly necessary to protect the rights of political belief.

SOCIAL HARMONICS.

It has long been known that if two harps tuned in unison are placed in the same room, the strings of one can be made to vibrate untouched by striking the strings of the other. In like manner, every object in nature capable of vibration will give forth its fundamental tone when the same tone is sounded by an instrument in its immediate neighborhood. Thus, the deep notes of an organ will frequently cause a vast church building to perceptibly vibrate, and a singer can sometimes throw a glass into such violent vibration with his voice as to cause it to fly in pieces. These are among the simplest and most universally-known facts of acoustics, but it has remained for the distinguished German physiologist, Prof. Stockfish, to deduce from them a law by which the social relations of man can be scientifically regulated.

Prof. Stockfish owns an able and accomplished cat. Unlike most cats, this animal is not so wholly given over to admiration for his own vocal music as to be unable to appreciate instrumental music. When Prof. Stockfish plays the violin, the cat frequently shows signs of enthusiastic appreciation, but there are certain notes which he cannot bear without at once indulging in violent language and instantly leaving the room. While investigating the cause of this phenomenon, it occurred to the eminent physiologist that possibly the cat was pleased when either his own fundamental note, or the octave, the third, or the fifth thereof, was sounded, and that other notes, which excited no sympathetic vibrations on his system, displeased him. In order to test this theory, the Professor constructed a machine for recording, visibly though inaudibly, the vibrations of his cat. He placed the cat on this machine and proceeded to sound successively every note within the compass of the violin. Presently, he sounded a note to which the cat instantly vibrated at the rate, as shown by the machine, of 2,045 vibrations per second. This was precisely the number of vibrations made by the violin-string when sounding the note in question, and Prof. Stockfish decided that this was the cat's fundamental note. Further experiments afforded fresh evidence of the truth of his theory. The cat was evidently delighted when its fundamental note, or the third, fifth, or octave thereof, was sounded, but howled and swore with great violence when compelled to listen to certain other notes to which he did not vibrate. The great physiologist was naturally delighted at this brilliant discovery, and proceeded to apply it to the soothing of midnight cats. Whenever he heard a series of cats making night hideous on the back fence, he would take his violin and sound their respective fundamental notes. The notes would instantly cease. The cats would purr contentedly, and in some cases would climb to the Professor's window and gratefully try to lick the varnish off the violin. Similar results followed the application of this theory to dogs and infants, and it was clear to the Professor's mind that he had discovered the true meaning of the myth of Orpheus.

Most men would have been contented with such a discovery as this, but Prof. Stockfish was one of those thoroughly scientific men who never admit that the capabilities of anything can be exhausted. He had often wondered why it was that Mrs. Stockfish so uniformly failed to sympathize with his views and wishes, and why so really excellent a woman should so frequently manifest her impatience with him by means which seriously retarded the growth of his hair. After the success of his experiments with cats, it struck him that the want of harmony between himself and his wife might be due to a literal want of harmony, or, in other words, to an irreconcilable want of unity in their vibrations. He determined to examine the subject thoroughly, and, with this view, placed himself on the vibratory machine, and sang the scale with the full compass of his voice.

until he ascertained to what note his system vibrated. He then, after long effort, induced Mrs. Stockfish to submit herself to the same experiment, and, as he had anticipated, found that she vibrated to a totally different note. To be more explicit, he proved that while he vibrated at the rate of 256 vibrations per second, she vibrated at the rate of 317. These different vibrations would have produced a harsh discord, could they have been perceptible to the ear, and, in fact, Prof. Stockfish ascertained that when he engaged in any discussion with his wife, their respective vibrations produced a constant succession of consecutive fifths. Their want of harmony was perfectly plain, and the Professor no longer wondered at the absence of sympathy between himself and Mrs. Stockfish; for the idea that two people could live happily together while living in consecutive fifths was, of course, absurd.

Now, there was a cousin of the Professor staying temporarily at his house, whom he greatly liked, and who was never weary of listening to his remarks. She, too, was placed on the vibratory machine, and was found to vibrate to the same tone which set the Professor in vibration. This was an additional confirmation of his theory. A long series of experiments demonstrated beyond any possibility of doubt that those persons whose fundamental tones were in unison lived happily together, and that the difficulty in every case of marital unhappiness was due to the fact that husband and wife vibrated in an irreconcilable and inharmonious manner.

Prof. Stockfish has nearly ready for publication a learned treatise—of which a few early copies have been printed for private distribution—upon Social Harmonics. In it he sets forth his theory, relates at great length the experiments which confirm it, and calls upon the Government to establish public vibrating machines in the town hall of every city and village in Germany, and to permit no marriages to be celebrated except between those who vibrate in unison. Thus, as he asserts, will domestic harmony and marital happiness be rendered certain, and unsympathetic marriages will become unknown. Really, we live in an age of discoveries, and of the discoveries that have yet been made, that of Prof. Stockfish is the most interesting and important.

From time to time incidents occur which go to prove what a number of people there are in the world whose conduct bears out the truth of the age that a fool and his money are soon parted. A New-York lady is an instance in point, and is likely to return from her sojourn at Long Branch a poorer but, we will hope, a wiser woman. When she bathed she left in the bath-house \$120 in currency, a note for \$1,500, and four diamond rings. When she came back these valuables had all disappeared. There can be little sympathy for people who display such gross carelessness.

Old Mr. ROXBOROUGH, the radical "Tear 'em" of other days, is reported to have said in Parliament that the conduct of the Liberals had been such that he did not think either himself or Mr. GLADSTONE would live to see them in power again. As Mr. ROXBOROUGH is some 14 years Mr. GLADSTONE's senior, he will hardly live to see the Liberal Administration survive him, but Mr. GLADSTONE is a remarkably strong man, who may reasonably hope to see half a dozen more years of life, and to use one of his antagonists' phrases, "A great deal may happen" in that time. Mr. ROXBOROUGH is among the many instances of conservatism in senility. Lord Dunsford, too, being a Liberal and died a Tory of Tories, and so did the late Lord Derby. On the other hand, like the present Earl, is likely enough to end, like GLADSTONE, a Liberal. Perhaps the most complete somersault of his kind was that of Lord Castlereagh, who, after something more than coquetry with the United Irishmen, was caught by PITT and converted into his prime agent for compassing the Union. No wonder that he was loathed by Irishmen.

COOK, the tourist agent, is one of the wond'ers of the nineteenth century. He hails from Leicester, England, where he keeps a temperance hotel, and in 1851 conceived the plan of organizing cheap trips, to enable country people to visit the Exhibition at London, and since that time he has made the extensive ramifications which followed. He now advertises that he is prepared to book through, from London to Cyprus, and has further dispatched an emissary there with a view to taking over a large party in October. A great many people are under a misapprehension as to COOK's arrangements. His tickets are equally available to the solitary traveler as to the party, and he is not at all disposed to be otherwise—found him guilty of desertion, and sentenced him to death. Gen. LEE reviewed the case, and approved the sentence; but pardoned the prisoner and ordered him to report at once to his battery. A better soldier than COOPER, LEE's army did not contain. He went through the war safely, and is now a well-to-do, industrious and contented, in the bosom of his family.

Sir RICHARD and Lady WALLACE have been entertaining this season in the house in London which he inherited from the Marquis of Hertford. Hertford House is a notable mansion. It occupies one side of Manchester-square, and was the abode of the Marquis with whom TRISTRAM, the Duke of Devonshire, was a familiar in the character of Lord Stuyvesant, and DISRAELI in describing Lord Monmouth. It is the Grand House of the one, and the Monmouth House of the other. The late Marquis rarely quitted the soil of France, and Hertford House for about 30 years had never seen any guests except the few privileged persons who were admitted to view the treasures—since seen by many Americans in the Bethnal Green Museum—which the selfish voluptuary who owned it was accumulating there. Lord Hertford probably spent not less than \$250,000 a year on pictures and other objects d'art, and he is reported to have said that until he saw the collection displayed at the Bethnal Green Museum he really did not know what he had, for many of his treasures had been stored away year after year at Hertford House. Sir RICHARD WALLACE rasped the reward of so kindly allowing his collections to be exhibited at Bethnal Green, inasmuch as they would otherwise have been tempo- rarily out of the Frenchman's pocket, and he was not nearly all in it. Sir RICHARD suffered a heavy

loss, the pay of these idlers does not compare with that which is received by their brethren in the country. Even the President gets only \$2,500 a year. The pay of the Treasurer is \$1,000, and the Chief-Justice is expected to dispose of the Treasury for the sum of \$800 per annum. The Legislature, however, costs \$13,000 a year, and there are 130 office-holders under the General Government, besides a small army of magistrates, constables, and other local dignitaries. There are only 3,500 voters to pay all these officials, and deducting the payments for schools and public buildings, the annual cost of governing is \$1,871,782, or nearly \$30 a year for each citizen. In view of the civil expenses, the war appropriation of \$1,506 a year may be regarded as remarkably small, and yet the law requires that every voter shall be enrolled in the militia. For this reason, among others, emigration from the United States is encouraged, and though it is reported that the United States Government has and each fight frequently—30 men were killed, it is at the same time stated that as the Republic grows affrays of this kind decrease. The Liberator's Navy cannot be regarded as a very formidable one. It consists of one small vessel, sorely in need of repair. Altogether, we are assured that Liberia is hardly the place which interested persons might be trying to induce negro emigration from the cotton States.

Many of the opinions and theories of our woman's rights women are, and have long been, put in practice in France. In Paris, Lyons, Marseilles, Bordeaux, and all the leading cities and towns of France, the leading classes of employment are thrown open to women as widely and freely as any one of the sex can desire. They have complete charge of many kinds of business, and firms in which they are partners are common everywhere. They often seem to have more mind, industry, energy, and general capacity than the men have, especially in retail trade. The women frequently appear in the most favorable conditions, the women showing superior intelligence and management. At the hotels, a man makes your bed and puts your room to rights, but you pay your bill to a woman. At the restaurants, a waiter serves you, but a woman receives your money. If you buy tickets at railways, theatres, or omnibus offices; if you send telegrams; if you make purchases in the shops; if you have a party at your house; if you stay in one place or travel; if you go anywhere or do anything, you deal with women, who pervade all the business departments of France, and to a certain extent conduct and control its affairs. The greater portion of these unsexed matters, but when they are married, there is very little difference. Many of the Frenchmen have no objection to loquacious while their wives work; indeed, they prefer that they should work. They think, doubtless, that

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THE CIGAR-MAKERS' HEARD FROM.

A. Stewensen, of the Cigar-makers' Union, next appeared, to urge the views of that body. He said that in 1878, 1,800,000 cigars were made in this country, valued at \$1,143,000,000 of cigars; in 1872, 1,600,000,000; in 1873, 1,800,000,000; in 1874, 1,688,000,000; in 1875, 1,600,000,000. He said that the decline of employment. He also quoted from documents showing that in three years 40 cigar-makers had emigrated to the United States from Germany, a fact which illustrated very clearly that they were under the influence of the "cruel" laws of that country. He said that the cigar-makers' Union in Germany had been to export cigars to England, but that the Government had prohibited this. He said that the cigar-makers' Union in Germany had been to export cigars to England, but that the Government had prohibited this. He said that the cigar-makers' Union in Germany had been to export cigars to England, but that the Government had prohibited this.

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NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, AUG. 6, 1878.

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in the lower lake region and Middle Atlantic States, partly cloudy weather, occasional rains, winds mostly southerly, stationary temperature, lower pressure.

In presence of what are called Democratic principles in Indiana, the necessity for the existence of a Labor-Greenback Party in that State has never been particularly obvious. Mr. HENDRICKS is determined that the points of agreement between Democrats and Nationalists shall not be lost sight of. In his speech at Indianapolis last night he reminded his audience that in voting for members of a Legislature pledged to return Mr. VOORHEES to the Senate, they were also voting for the withdrawal of the national bank currency, the taxation of United States Treasury notes, the stoppage of funding operations, no far at least as foreign capital is employed, and the unlimited coining of silver. Mr. HENDRICKS briefly disposes of the President's Southern policy by denying that he has any, and his administration being "incapable of any policy." It is comforting to be assured that there need be no apprehension felt about the payment of rebel claims under Democratic rule, since in addition to the protection of the fourteenth amendment, we have the further security that the Democratic Party has always been the party of economy. This is fairly matched in coolness by the further assertion that a Democratic success will "give assurance of true reform in the civil service."

The members of the Democratic Congressional Executive Committee do not appear to be particularly anxious to begin the business of the campaign. Yesterday was fixed for their meeting in Washington, but Chairman BLACKBURN had the committee-room all to himself. Perhaps the Democrats think it hardly worth while to wage an energetic campaign in the close Congressional districts, when they can manufacture a majority in the House by the aid of the Clerk's roll and a free resort to contests over seats which may be carried by Republicans. It is just possible, however, that the result of the Fall elections will prove decisive enough to defy the united ingenuity of Clerk ADAMS and the State officers of Democratic States to cheat the Republicans out of their fairly-earned majority. The apathy of the Democratic leaders in regard to the circulation of campaign documents is, in view of the record of the last House, not unreasonable.

DEWEES KEARNEY, speaking in Faneuil Hall last night, fairly outdid his great exemplar, BUTLER, in blackguardism and vituperation. Although BUTLER has received the California agitator with some hesitation, KEARNEY is determined to be his friend and admirer, and last night he saluted him as "the man who is less than Macbeth, yet greater; the fiery Rupert of debate, the white-plumed Navarre of the rostrum, the gallant, the gifted, the glorious BUTLER!" This is a little too soaring for the genuine utterance of the "sand-lot orator," and suggests the hand of a friendly reporter from the Pacific coast. But when the speaker said that he wished he was rich enough "to hire DEWEES to knock the bottom out of hell," the real KEARNEY was manifest. And there is no mistaking the man who says in Faneuil Hall that he is opposed to "lecherous, thieving bondholders and railroad robbers." It was as a disciple of BUTLER, too, that the speaker declared that the newspapers, "from the earliest days of printing, have been in the interest of cut-throats, political bilks, daylight thieves, and midnight assassins." This would be called vigorous language, even in California. It is certainly more appropriate to KEARNEY, and more characteristic of BUTLER's service, than any foolish nonsense about white-plumed Navarres and fiery Ruperts.

The insurrection in Bosnia and Herzegovina has already resulted in sanguinary conflicts between Austrian cavalry and Bosnian malcontents. Its probable expansion displays ominous possibilities of evil. A province with no railways and but few roads worthy of the name, mountainous and thickly-wooded, peopled

with men habituated from childhood to the use of arms and to constant deeds of violence, is a formidable arsenal of insurrection. Nor is it merely the unaided efforts of the insurgents that Austria has to fear. That the former are secretly encouraged and supplied with arms by the Turkish Government, there is hardly room to doubt; and the fact that Montenegrin warriors are found in the ranks of their deadliest enemies shows the intensity of the feeling which could produce this unnatural union. But even this is not all. The anti-Austrian sepias of Italy, recently baffled by the temperate firmness of their own Government, would find a new field opened to their vengeance by even the temporary success of an insurrection in Bosnia or Herzegovina, and the formation of an "Italian legion" in aid of the insurgents, with one of the ever-restless Garibaldi family at its head, would be the almost certain consequence. Austria being thus embroiled with Italy, Greece and Albania would join the fray in the hope of acquiring fresh spoil; and thus the disturbance, if not promptly quelled, may produce evils not inferior to those occasioned by its forerunner in 1875.

IRRECONCILABLE THEORIES.

The Congressional Labor Committee has already accomplished one valuable result in bringing out the conflicting views of that class of reformers who represent the claims of labor as against capital, and making it appear by their own testimony how utterly inconsistent and irreconcilable are their theories as to the causes and the cure of industrial depression. It furnishes an indication of what could be expected of them in the way of a policy for the administration of affairs, if it were possible for them to organize a strong party and hold it together long enough to undertake the control of the Government. Men who are supposed to have common interests, and to aim at the same general results, have expressed completely antagonistic ideas as to fundamental principles and the part which legislation and the Government should play in adjusting and regulating industrial affairs. One would have the Government hold and operate all the railroads, undertake all manner of public works to facilitate communication, not only for the purpose of developing means of transportation and stimulating activity, but with a direct view to giving employment to the people. He would also have the Government concern itself in distributing the population, sending people where they want to go, furnishing them with land and the implements of husbandry or the means for obtaining them, lending them money, exercising supervision over their condition and their wants, and taking upon itself the enormous burden of seeing that all have employment and the means of a comfortable subsistence. From this theory of a paternal, omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent government, we have a range of opinions down to those of the German tailor, who would abolish all Government and all laws, and leave the people to take care of themselves. One man thinks there is too little legislation, another that there is too much. One sees a cure for all our ills in an unlimited issue of Government notes to be used as money. Another is sure that irredeemable paper has produced our manifold afflictions, and that a specie basis alone will furnish the remedy. One thinks the crushing weight of taxation has paralyzed industry and enterprise, while another demands more taxation by way of living things up. From one comes the cry for protection and restrictions upon international commerce; another puts in a plea for greater freedom of trade. The concentration of property in the hands of the few and legislation in the interests of great corporations are, to the mind of one witness, the source of all our woes, but another is equally certain that the looking up of large amounts of property in bankrupt estates is the incubus that crushes our energies.

But the statements of some of the more intelligent of these men are deserving of more particular examination. Take those of Mr. CARNEY, who appeared before the committee on Saturday. He is evidently an earnest and sincere man, struggling for the right solution of a great problem. He is one of those who would have the Government intervene, and do pretty much everything for the people, or give its aid directly to help them over all difficulties. He does not appear to see what an enormous and expensive organization it would require, drawing by taxation the very life-blood of industry in an attempt to promote it, and practically confiscating and redistributing the property of the people; nor does he have any idea of the corruption and mismanagement that would surely creep in and make a desolating engine of ruin of this gigantic machine for the administration of affairs. He does not forecast the losses that would swallow up the capital of the country in schemes and projects which he would have set on foot, regardless of any existing demand for them. But his fundamental error, like that of Mr. MADDOX, who would have docks constructed at no cost whatever, by issuing money for the purpose, and withdrawing it when the work is done, is in assuming that what would be used up in these enterprises and experiments would not be the solid wealth and capital of the country, the products of the people's labor, but that impalpable and costless entity, the credit of the nation. Let the Government issue currency for these purposes, he says, a huge volume of paper notes, and that will pay for all. Suppose, for a moment, that it would serve the purposes of payment, effecting the various exchanges required; still, it would produce nothing, and what would actually be sunk in new railroads and canals and Western colonies would be the materials, the articles of wealth, and the actual labor of the people, and a large portion of it would turn out to be as unproductive and irretrievably gone as though it had been carried away and put into fortifications on the coast of Alaska. Mr. CARNEY also gets entangled in the meshes of his own sophistry. He admits that inflation would not multiply or increase values. It would enable a man to pay a mortgage on his house more easily, but the house would not be worth any more. In other words, it would enable a man to discharge his debts at a fraction of their actual amount, and cheat his creditors of the rest.

One of the queer incidents of yesterday's inquiry is to be found in the testimony of Mr. ROSS, who thought that God would hold the committee responsible for all the hunger and nakedness in the country, which is rather hard on Mr. HEWITT and his colleagues. He seemed to think that an observance of Divine laws as he interpreted them from the Scriptures, and an abolition of all individual title in land, would do the business. Of course, in the mass of suggestions made in the course of the week before the committee, there have been some that are sensible and practical, but these for the most part are not new. Among them may be mentioned the necessity of placing railroad corporations under closer supervision and more rigid requirements in the exercise of their privileges, with some regard for the interests of the public as well as their own profit; the importance of collecting and disseminating information regarding the industrial condition of the people; the need of less and better legislation; more economy and fidelity in the administration of affairs; lower taxes, and fewer interferences with private enterprise, &c. But these things have been the subject of discussion for a long time, and call for no radical change of accepted principles or overturning of existing institutions. There cannot fail to be a wholesome effect from this ventilation of views which has been going on for some days, and the exposure of the visionary and inconsistent schemes of the so-called Reformers, and it will give all the greater force to any practical plans and really sagacious suggestions which may be presented before the committee at its future sittings.

THE TEMPTED AND THE TEMPTERS.

Since the publication of an article in these columns about two months ago, suggesting the formation of an insurance company guaranteeing the fidelity of persons in positions of trust, books of subscription to the capital stock of such a company have been opened in this City. The result of this attempt is yet to be determined, but the existence of a wide field for its operations continues to be shown, the latest evidence being the discovery of two cases of thieving—emphatically, irregularities—in Boston. In these, as in others, the journalist sees little essentially new, and he wears of pointing the same old moral over again. In the bank case, however, a variation from the usual form appears in the statement that the Cashier had been employed by some of the Directors to operate for them in mining stocks, and was led, by observing the profits they made, into operating on his own account. This, of course, is his own statement, offered in the natural spirit that seeks to divide the blame with others; yet there is nothing improbable in it, although it really ought to be incredible. Directors, stockholders, and others whose relations with a bank give them importance, have a habit, especially in country towns, of forcing the care of their valuables on it; Directors are prone to use their bank as a convenience in buying and selling; they are not unlikely to speculate, and there is nothing improbable in the statement that "some" Directors, even in a large city where brokers are plenty, choose to accommodate their own convenience, or get the use of what they may have considered special knowledge of the markets, or save something on commissions, or secure greater privacy, by compelling their Cashier to become their broker. If they did and if others do—whether the practice be rare or the contrary—its immorality and danger condemn it. Ordinarily, a bank properly keeps its stock indicator and Cashier more or less attentive to stock movements in order to exercise an intelligent opinion as to loans on collateral; but such an official noting of prices is quite different from the intense watching which follows putting one's own money at risk. Whether these Directors adhered to the only safe rule in stock operations, namely, buying nothing which they did not fully pay for, and selling nothing which they did not own, or whether they operated with margins, and thus showed their Cashier how perfectly easy it is to turn a little money into a great deal, in either case—supposing his honesty to have been of unsullied whiteness before—they set him thinking and set a trap for him.

If they did so, the names of the "some" should come to the light, and the Cashier should be given opportunity to prove the transactions if he can. Whether they are ignorant of human nature or simply careless of everything beyond their immediate gains, such Directors prove themselves unfit to hold any position of care over the property of others. The speculative Director is dangerous enough in view of his own temptation to misapply the corporate funds; when he helps make speculative officers by supplying them with the most seductive temptation, he becomes morally, if not legally, guilty, and it is a misfortune that society, failing oftentimes to punish the tempter, can very rarely reach the tempted.

Upon all grounds it is time to have the duties and responsibilities of corporate directorship better settled. As bearing on this point the progress of a suit in one of the interior counties of this State will be very interesting. Sundry stockholders of a national bank, broken by defalcations of its officers, have in this case sued the Directors for having permitted that result by their negligence, the stockholders claiming recovery, first, of the usual dividends, which were not paid during a considerable period preceding the failure; next, of the value of their annihilated stock, and finally, of the cash assessments levied upon them by the Controller at Washington.

The peculiar power of the temptation upon bank officers and employees should be remembered. As it presents itself to the mind, it points to others who are swiftly making a fortune without labor; urges how perfectly easy it is to avoid the mistakes made by others whose financial knowledge is less; asserts the utter impossibility of the operations going wrong; urges that it is only doing what scores of most respectable persons are successfully doing every day; keeps far out of sight the idea of theft and represents it as only borrowing, with nobody's knowledge and to nobody's possible harm; and crowns the specious plea by asking why ordinary dollars should venture and win, and such uncomprehending sharpness keep off from getting a fortune out of sheer timidity. Undoubtedly, this thing is sometimes done successfully, just as the lottery ticket sometimes draws a prize, but a blight comes

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with it. We need not stop to consider why, but the fact is that whoever dallies with this sort of temptation is probably lost; safety consists only in resolutely and finally refusing to let the mind dwell on the subject. The chances are overwhelmingly heavy that only that the man's moral nature will be harmed, but that, if the first misappropriation is made, the market will go pitilessly against the unhappy offender and bear him down. What could be more pitiable and instructive than the sight of the Park Bank employee, rushing to New-Brunswick to escape the consequences of a crime that entombed him from taking the high position of Paying Teller, just opened to him by death?

This Boston Cashier, like TRAPPAN, objects to being charged with crime; they are "unfortunate," like the rest; "feel the position keenly," "weep like a child," and so on. It is this habit of lightly treating crime which is breeding crime by blinding the moral sense against recognizing the approaches to it. It is no longer possible to feel pity for the criminal without losing condemnation of the crime. We not merely fail to punish with certainty and promptness; we fail to condemn, and are full of a misanthropic, sentimental, and dangerous sympathy. The Tappans and Chases are not even "arrested" until they have nobly declined to escape for some days. Discovery is coming to be regarded as the crime. It is time to call things by their right names; to define a thief as one who takes what is not his, and to regard the act more and its assumed motive less; to restore the old and bold line between honesty and dishonesty. The moral sense of the community needs tuning up to recognize that the touch of pitch is defiling, so that the excuses and sophisms with which dishonesty conceals its perilous edge may be swept away. Before this can be done, the idea of "respectability" in crime must give place to the just rule that social position and gray hairs only aggravate the offense.

THE TALE OF MARBLE.

It is evident that Mr. MANTON MARBLE hugs himself with the delightful reflection that he has made "a ten-strike" in politics. His letter to the Electoral Commission, otherwise entitled "A Secret Chapter of Political History," has been printed in two Democratic newspapers. Mr. MARBLE, as he reads and rereads his beloved production in type for the tenth or twentieth time, doubtless smacks his lips appreciatively and says, "This is fine." It is fine, and we have our opinion of the man who could read, unmoved, such a specimen of superb English as this: "When this flagitious plot was hatched in all its parts, and while as yet not one Republican hierarch, from President WOOLSEY to Mrs. JENKS, had challenged the conspirators with a 'Stand thou on that side, for on this side I'—it is no secret that Mr. TILDEN, comprehending its scope, its dangers, and his own responsibility as well, in the primacy of the leadership to which he had been newly chosen by his party and elected by his countrymen, matured and determined upon a plan to encounter and defeat the cabal, and to maintain at once the Presidential succession and the public peace." There is more of this delicious stuff. But we forbear. Any back number of the *World* can be consulted for more.

THE MANHATTAN CIRCUS-CASE.

Whether the authorities will succeed in the effort to compel the proprietors of the Manhattan Beach Amphitheatre to procure the usual license, without which no circus exhibition can be given, is an interesting question. It involves a variety of incidental questions of a legal or moral nature, and if the case is properly argued, it must inevitably become one of the most memorable in the history of American jurisprudence.

That the show which so many thousands flock to Shoney Island to witness is essentially a circus, seems at first sight undeniable. The late Chief-Justice STORR defines a circus as "a place where pea-nuts are publicly eaten by persons who have paid a fixed price for the privilege of beholding athletic sports of a more or less comic nature." From this definition—which agrees with that given by BLACKSTONE, with the trifling difference that the latter mentions shrimps in the place of pea-nuts, since he wrote under a monarchy where the free peasant of America was unknown—it appears that the three essential elements of the circus are athletic sports, of a more or less comic nature, pea-nuts, and an admission fee. If either of these are wanting, no circus exists of which the law can take cognizance. Thus, we have athletic sports of a more or less comic nature at Mr. TALMAGE's Tabernacle, but the performance cannot be called a circus, because there is no admission fee. Similarly, although an admission fee and pea-nuts are the prominent features of a lecture by Mrs. SWISSELMER, she does not furnish her audiences with athletic sports, and hence her lecture is not technically a circus. "There must be a union," remarked the court, in what is recognized as the leading case, (*LXI. Barbour 369*)—"of these three elements before the law can recognize the existence of a circus."

Now, at Manhattan Beach we have all the elements of a circus. There are persons who are admitted to an amphitheatre on the payment of an admission fee, who eat pea-nuts, and who witness the athletic sports of a more or less comic nature furnished by an immense company of performers of both sexes. It is difficult to see how any court could refuse to rule that the Manhattan Beach entertainment is a circus. And if this is the case, it will be generally assumed that it requires to be duly licensed.

The defense is understood to claim that the case of Manhattan Beach presents peculiar features, which remove it so widely from every circus hitherto known that the law in regard to circuses does not apply to it. They admit the admission fee, the pea-nuts, and the athletic sports, but they plead that the performers, instead of being hired artists, go through with their aquatic feats gratuitously, and without dreaming that they are furnishing a great moral spectacle and Shakespearean comic entertainment to thousands of spectators. The other side ridicules the idea that the bathers are not paid, and argues that inasmuch as no woman would exhibit herself on dry land clad in short flannel trousers and flannel jacket, and a preposterous straw hat, without being paid for so doing, it is absurd to suppose that she will exhibit herself in the surf in the same costume gratuitously. It must be confessed that the latter argument is extremely plausible. There are, indeed, certain moralists who pretend that in the presence of the grandeur and solemnity of the sea, as in the awful presence of death, sex ceases, and modesty is made meaningless. Wherefore, women may wear dresses in the surf without a thought of impropriety, although similar dresses could not be worn in the street without attracting the attention of the Police, and in point of fact, are worn only by paid actresses on the stage. This, however, is too subtle and delicate a theory for the coarse atmosphere of the court-room, and appeals only to the profoundest philosophers of the transcendental school. The performances of the young woman who swims in the surf and is greeted with the applause of the crowded amphitheatre; of the fat woman whose disk eclipses a score of bathers at once, and whose especial feat—that of standing suddenly on her head when a large breaker rolls in—is unfailingly popular; of the thin maiden lady from Boston, whose bones clatter cheerfully as she trips down the beach; and of the innumerable company of utility ladies, whose part is to cling to the rope and squeal wildly as the water reaches to their knees, may, of course, be gratuitous, since nearly all

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things are possible, but, if they are, it is certainly extravagant on the part of circus managers and proprietors of variety shows to waste money in paying their performers. Nothing but abundant and unimpeachable evidence will convince a learned court, and an intelligent jury that the performers at the Manhattan Beach Circus are not paid, and until such evidence is produced, the defense can base no argument upon it. As for the plea that some of the audience eat clam-chowder in addition to pea-nuts, it is simply frivolous. Pea-nuts are of the essence of a circus, but clam-chowder is not. It may, indeed, be part of the *res gestæ*, but it has no bearing upon the question whether or not a circus exists. There is little reason to doubt that Manhattan Beach will be held to be a circus, and it is very certain that in the estimation of the public it is the most amusing and improving circus now in existence. There is a possibility that the court may decide that the proprietors of the Manhattan Amphitheatre are not the proprietors of the circus, but that each bather is virtually a circus unto himself or herself—as the case may be, and must pay for a license as such. This would fully dispose of the point that the bathers are not paid performers, and it may be the most equitable way in which the matter can be decided. The trial of this case will be looked forward to with much interest, and as it is understood that every person who has bathed or who may hereafter bathe at Manhattan Beach this season, is to be examined as a witness, there will be a very full attendance at the court-room.

We pay every policeman in this City about the highest rate of pay anywhere else in the world, and have a right to demand the most zealous and efficient service. We get it in the robbery which six weeks ago took place on Tenth Avenue about 10 o'clock at night, when four men boarded a street car, and robbed and beat an official whom they believed to carry a large sum, was generally denounced as of unparalleled audacity. But it has now been ascertained that the man who was robbed, a cashier, was knocked down and robbed in New York City, by a policeman who was at the time of the robbery, no policeman about it being the hour at which they were relieved, and doubtless therefore selected by the thieves as the hour for relieving Mr. STONE of his wallet. Is this good management? To leave a street unprotected at a fixed hour well known to thieves? Soldiers never leave guard until a fresh sentinel appears. Why should the Police be so careless? The robbery was a bad one, no doubt, a rolling stone. They are free as air, and ready to hit fresh victims, the Police having utterly failed to throw any light on their identity, although the Troy Police almost immediately brought home a precisely similar outrage to the perpetrators.

Prof. BELL has encountered a formidable and unexpected obstacle in his efforts to introduce the telephone in England on a plan similar to that adopted in this country, of putting up the apparatus and renting instruments. After considerable expense had been incurred and a company formed to carry on the business, a bill was introduced in Parliament, and is now pending providing that the construction of the telephone act, 1869, the term telegraph shall, in addition to the meaning assigned to it by the act, include any apparatus for transmitting messages or other communications with the aid of electricity, magnetism, or any other like agency.

This would bring the telephone under the Government monopoly, and prevent any private party, by private parties. Prof. GRAHAM has not only made his protest in the London papers, but a deputation, including himself and others, in the interest of the Telephone Company and the general principle involved, waited on Lord JOHN MANNERS, head of the Post Office Department, to urge their objection to the bill. They did not obtain much success, and it looks very much as though the use of the telephone in England would be "gobbled up" by the Government, which, under the act of 1869, took possession of all the telegraph lines, at an expense of £10,000,000.

Capt. ARTHUR PAGET, who married Miss STEVENS, is the eldest of six sons, and has had eight sisters, of whom seven survive. The eldest is a Maid of Honor. Under these circumstances, it may readily be conceived that an heiress is a welcome addition to the family. Although Capt. PAGET's father, Lord ALFORD, is a fifth son, he is not at present a candidate for the peerage. His eldest brother died at 57, and childless. His second brother, dead, left but one son unmarried. The third brother died single, and the fourth has but one son, unmarried, but quite a young man. The PAGETS have had the character formerly of being "a fast lot," but this does not at all apply to Lord and Lady ALFORD, who are both of the most respectable and thrifty families in the country. They were originally settled in the Midlands, whence the selection of the title Earl of Uxbridge, which the late Marquis bore when he commanded the cavalry at Waterloo. A splendid old Tudor gateway survives to mark the spot where their baronial hall, long since out of the family, stood. Until recent years they possessed a splendid mansion in Grosvenor House, in London, now the branch of the Bank of England. Lord ALFORD has very extensive estates, both in Wales and Staffordshire, but they are generally understood to be heavily incumbered, and their owner is regarded as a poor Marquis. Capt. PAGET's half-aunts were the Duchess of Richmond, Marchioness of Conyngham, Countess of Loudoun, and Lady Grosvenor and TEMPLEMORE. His father's sister, married the Earl of Sandwich, and Hon. F. W. ODOUARD, from all of which it will be seen that the gallant bridegroom cannot boast of money, he has blue blood enough in himself and his surroundings to satisfy the most exacting requirements, and alone for the honor of his family in respect on the part of his charming bride.

About this time, many American correspondents, professional and private, are sending home letters from France as to the relative cheapness of living in Europe and the United States. They are very fond of drawing comparisons between the expense of housekeeping in Paris and New-York, and they put all the advantage on the side of Paris. To do this, however, they greatly exaggerate prices here and moderate them there. Instead of taking the reduced rates of to-day, they adopt those current before the war. They speak of hiring an apartment there for \$200 to \$250 a month, a whole house must be hired here at \$4,000 to \$5,000 a year. There are apartments here (and many of them) as well as in Paris; as a rule they are far more comfortable than the flats there, and are not so much dearer either. Food is not materially cheaper there, and there is nothing like our variety, and in living about many things must be given up, because they are not procurable. One who has had experience, and is willing to incur the trouble, can live cheaper in Paris than in New-York; but not as many correspondents say, for half or one-third as much as it costs here. Everybody who has resided on the European Continent knows that it is not possible to live on the expense of a common soldier here, and that we are willing to do so in Paris as Parisians do—that is, live cheaply and practically all the small economies—we can save, perhaps, about one-third of what we spend at home. In other words, \$2,000 may serve there for \$3,000 here; but this is a moderate estimate for Paris than Americans generally make. For the major part of our countrymen there is very little difference in the cost of the two cities. The one thing in favor of Paris is rent; but rent here is far less than it used to be. Carriages, servants, wines are cheaper there, but amusements and many luxuries are considerably dearer.

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1799, the old Marshal, visiting the Russian outposts in disguise, after his usual fashion, came suddenly upon a sentry posted on the crown of a steep cliff, and exposed to the full onlook of the biting January wind. The quick-witted Russian at once recognized his commander, but, clearly taking unaccountable offense, continued to pace up and down. "Hollo, brother!" cried SUVOV, assuming the tone and manner of a common soldier. "You seem to be having a good look at the stars; can you tell me how many there are of them?" To his small dismay the soldier coolly answered, "Just hold on a minute, and I'll count," and forthwith he began: "One, two, three, four," and counted quite gravely up to a thousand. At this point, as the ready-reckoner showed no signs of leaving off, the General, nearly frozen with standing so long in the cold, made a hasty retreat, but next morning the ardent and sentinel found himself promoted to the rank of Corporal, and was complimented by SUVOV in presence of the whole Army as "the only man who had ever been too smart for him."

APPROPRIOS OF THE RECENT "FEMININE HUSBAND."

Case, perhaps the most extraordinary example in all history of a man who, after having been a soldier, a diplomatist, a statesman, and a man of letters, should have been so completely transformed by a woman, was that of Louis XV. of France. He was born in 1715, and died in 1774. He was a man of letters, a statesman, and a man of letters. He was born in 1715, and died in 1774. He was a man of letters, a statesman, and a man of letters.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The National Greenbackers now have candidates for Congress in all the districts of Maine.

The Democrats of the Seventh District of Iowa have endorsed the Greenback candidate for Congress.

The Democratic candidate for Congress in the Second District of Michigan is a retired Methodist minister.

The Nationals of the Thirteenth District of Indiana have nominated the chief owner of a national bank for Congress.

What the Baltimore *American* calls the "malcontents" are said to be about to make an effort to "reorganize" the Republican Party in that city.

A Kentucky orator and office-seeker exclaimed: "I wish to be a friend to the friendless, a father to the fatherless, and a widow to the widows."

The Democrats of the First District of Maine have nominated a retired-out-and-out Greenbacker for Congress. And the Greenbackers have their own candidate, too.

Hon. Fernando D. Money has been nominated for re-election to Congress by the Democrats of the Third District of Mississippi, receiving the unanimous vote of every county in the district.

Sensators J. B. Gordon and B. H. Hill, Hon. A. H. Stephens, Robert Toombs, and Col. Thomas Hardeman have been invited to address the people of Griffin, Ga., at a grand barbecue on the 10th inst.

Judge Hiram S. Tinsley has declined the National Greenback nomination for Congress in the Thirteenth District of Indiana. He wrote a seven-column letter to do it—a very painful case of indigestion.

Col. Henry J. B. Cummings, the Republican candidate for Congress in the Seventh District of Iowa, has challenged Mr. S. H. Gillette, a Democratic and Greenback competitor, to make a joint canvass of the district.

The Petersburg (Va.) *Index-Appel* corrects the Augusta (Ga.) *Chronicle's* statement that only four Southern cities have more than one morning paper. It says: "There is more than one paper in Richmond, at Petersburg, at Lynchburg, at Norfolk, at Portsmouth, in Virginia, and more than one at Raleigh, N. C."

The Greenback State Committee in Arkansas has put forth a ticket for State officers, with Hon. W. F. Grace, of Jefferson County, for Governor. Col. Grace is understood to be a candidate for the Senate.

Judge F. W. Compton, who is named for Supreme Judge, refuses to be a candidate. Indeed, the *Little Rock Democrat* believes that only one of the list will consent to run.

The Norwich (Conn.) *Bulletin* renews the suggestion that the close Congressional districts in the South be canvassed by Northern Republicans of honesty and ability, fitting representatives of the party. It wishes the question settled one way or the other, whether there is to be free speech and equal rights in the South, and it thinks this experiment would do it and work well for the Republicans either way.

In a letter to the Democracy of the Tenth District of Missouri, ex-Congressman R. A. De Bois declines to be considered a candidate on account of impaired health. He says he is physically unable to make a canvass of the district, and a sense of justice to himself and duty to his friends induces him to step out of the way of other candidates. His physicians say there is but one hope of his recovery—absolute rest.

In the platform of the Republican convention in the First Congressional District of Florida was a resolution which read: "We open wide our doors without regard to previous political affiliation; will use our best endeavors to unite all the industrial classes in favor of the Republican Party, as the best friend of the laboring man, and to rally to its support all others who are the sincere supporters of equal and exact justice to all men."

The Republican State Committee of Ohio has invited Gen. Henry W. Allen, Hon. W. G. Graham, Hon. John Coburn, and Gen. Lewis Wallace, of Indiana, to assist them in their campaign, but the Indianapolis *Journal* wishes them not to go unless the favor is reciprocated, and Gen. Garrison, Gen. Kiefer, Representative Foster, and other able and eloquent men of the Buckeye State come over into Indiana and do good work for the cause there.

Senator Jones, of Nevada, isn't satisfied yet. In his speech in Virginia City the other day, speaking of silver, he said: "But the work is not yet completed. The discussion must again be opened and continued until the entire rehabilitation of silver is accomplished—until the minds of the country shall be compelled to receive it for currency on the same terms as gold—and until, so far as the law is concerned, it shall be placed side by side and on equal conditions in our monetary system with the twin brother—gold."

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Fourth—What were the wholesale and retail prices of the leading articles of family consumption during each of these years in your vicinity?

Fifth—What was the average rate, between the years 1860 and 1878 in your vicinity, between the rents of tenements occupied by operatives in the manufacturing business, and the rents of tenements occupied by the middle class?

Sixth—What was the comparative amount of the products of your business in quantity and value in the years 1860 and 1878?

Seventh—What was the comparative steadiness of employment of operatives between the years 1860 and 1878?

The committee invites suggestions from employers and employed as to the extent and causes of the present depression, and the measures which the Federal legislation which, in their opinion, would tend to relieve the same. The committee will hold public hearings on these matters at the Post Office on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 11 o'clock.

George E. McNeal, a man of varied occupations who is in charge of some unproductive property who cultivates some land and makes in his own household some articles for sale, was the first witness. He said that he had been a student of the International Labor Union, representing some 8,000 men, and was at one time, from 1869 to 1873—the Secretary of the Massachusetts Bureau of Labor Statistics. He said at the outset that he did not propose to attempt at this time to go into the whole field of inquiry suggested by the resolution creating this committee, but he proposed to make a few remarks on the subject of the present hearing, he would demonstrate their correctness. He said the origin of these labor troubles commenced away back at the time when the laborer lost the power of selling the products of his labor—in other words, at the commencement of the wage system of labor—and the difficulty was that wage system.

Mr. Rice asked him when he understood that power was lost, and he answered that he did not know. He was told, but he thought it commenced with the congregation of laborers in England, within 10 years, to all practical purposes. The wage system actually began; of course, long prior to that time when wages were paid to armies, and afterward to artisans; and even armies were at times employed in those days in works of practical industry.

The modern wage system and the steam engine were about contemporaneous, and then came the factory system, and the modern system of even then the wage system was a very great improvement upon the old system, and a stepping stone to something still better. Machinery had, however, destroyed laborers' chances of work faster than new employments were provided for the men.

THE GOVERNMENT SHALL PROVIDE MONEY FREE OF INTEREST.

A Mr. Peck, of Danbury, Conn., next took the floor, and said that he had been a taxman for over 30 years he had given consideration to this question of labor and capital. He said that some 1,000 banks were doing business in the United States, and its effect was that some 300 banks are getting money from Government free from interest. He said that the Government was running on schemes of modern times, and only needed a little extension to become the grandest. It amounted to this, that the Government was giving the bankers money free of interest, and hurrying about nobody's money. Now, if they could do that, they could give the people money free of interest. We scattered money all over the country in a year, and not one dollar of gold was used, but every dollar of it was based on this value of the dollar. He said that he had been asked that laws may be enacted for a system of national finance, with agencies throughout the country, and that the Government would give interest to the extent of \$5,000, provided he used it to improve real estate, to build or buy a home, or to pay for a child's education. He said that he would pay for it 4 per cent. a year. Still he has repaid the Government the full amount, and pledging himself to do so. He said that he had been asked the reason why the Government loaned money to the banker free of interest was because he saved the banks the cost of the money. He said that he had a mortgage on his property.

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He said that he had been a taxman, and whose business at present was trying to get business done. He proposed to abolish the Senate and the House of Representatives, and to give the Executive; establish labor bureaus all over the country; issue money which should be used to improve the land, and to give every man to remain idle; have all children educated from their eighth to their sixteenth year; to give every boy and girl a trade, and to give every man a business. Mr. Hewitt said, "I have no questions to ask," and he replied, "I thought you wouldn't have any."

FREE TRADE RECOMMENDED.

Next Mr. Peck, produce broker, was next called and came to represent his own views. He said he had been a taxman for 30 years, and he had lowered the rate of wages, and free trade raises it. This country for 30 years had imported nearly everything, and he said that the country was ruined by the cheapness of land, which was in its turn the cause of the cheapness of labor. He said that he had a mortgage on his property. We must, therefore, have free trade to dispose of our products. Let the people and a free market be established, and the country will be able to do so much an extent that it has been like a bounty offered by Government to induce people to go into business. He said that he had been asked the reason why the Government loaned money to the banker merely for profit. The witness next reviewed the operations of his English Corn laws, and the effect of the tariff on the country. He said that he suggested that tariff questions occupied a large amount of the time of Congress, and the witness asked the question, "What would be the effect of the adoption of free trade, and that if the Government did not derive a source of income, how would it be able to pay for the machinery. He said he favored it, and did not care for the question of income. He said that he had a mortgage on his property.

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"Boots rush in where angels fear to tread," murmured Justice Flammer. Still he thought the

could not possibly have seen the Captain, or known him for a Police Captain if he did, so he never uttered the wounded feelings of the officer—who appeared indignant at the bare idea of being mistreated for a common person—by ordering Mr. Cloos to take the trifling damage to Capt. Copeland's coat.

A TAILOR'S WIFE ELOPES.
SHE RUNS AWAY WITH A SHOE-MAKER—SHE
ON A SOUND STEAMER.

Hess, a German patriot, living at 195 West 12th street, was called last evening, and requested the aid of the Police to restore to him his transient wife, who, he said, eloped with a younger, and presumably a better man. Hess said that for some time a young lady named Rebecca Heine had been living in his family. Five weeks ago this wife, he made many acquaintances of Hermann Galt, a German, who shot Hess at 272 Seventh avenue, and Herman frequently visited the house and paid marked attention to Miss Heine, as it was supposed, a view to matrimony. The matters went along very smoothly until last Friday when Miss Heine warned Hess Galt to be on his guard, and that she was going to elope with her, was really paying great attention to Galt. On the same evening, Mrs. Galt was called by her husband, and told him to go to bed. Believing that his wife had been out in company with Hermann Galt, Hess upgraded her severe punishment. Yesterday morning Hess went to work as usual and returned at noon. When he found that his wife had not come home, he went in search of his wife he met Miss Heine, who informed that Mrs. Galt had gone to the country. Hess then went to the country, and found her at Norwalk, Conn. The husband hurried to Pier 21, where he met Hermann Galt, and asked him either his wife or Herman. Concerning himself the engine-room the husband remained on board, and the ship sailed for New York. The engine-room was on the pier at 23rd street, East River. His wife, who had been in the ladies' cabin, came forward to see her husband, and told him that she was on the boat. Hermann appeared on the board, and told the woman. Hess then told her that he was going to the country with his wife. The sailor said: "What are you doing with my wife?" The sailor paid attention to the woman's white blouse and preparations for the trip. The ship sailed for New York, and the idea of an involuntary trip to Norwalk, Conn.

sahore, leaving his wife with her paragoner." He said last night that "he would sooner let his wife go than have her married to another man." It was informed that the Police could not interfere with such a criminal offense as long as it was committed, and the only remedy was to sue for divorce.

CHARGED WITH STEALING COFFEE

Henry Welerling, of No. 19 West-street, before Justice Morzan, at the Tombs, Police Court yesterday, charged with stealing two bags of coffee from George Bluxom, who keeps a storage warehouse at No. 63 Lexington-street, on Sunday morning last. Monday afternoon Officer Keeling found the Twenty-eighth Precinct found a bag of coffee in a liquor store kept by George/Von Harnsen, at 47 West-street. Von Harnsen, when asked why he got the coffee, said that it was sent to him by Welerling. The officer went to Welerling's place where he found another bag of coffee. Welerling claimed that he had bought the coffee from a German from Longshoremen. He was arrested, and taken to the Tombs. When asked if he had any more of the coffee from the bags, and from some sample in his store, in court yesterday he refused to answer. He also denied the charge, and general appearance of the grain, which was not the case was the coffee the sweepings of the Longshoremen. He admitted that he had sold by Longshoremen was stolen coffee, as they told him to take it and sell it, and that therefore prisoned by his own confession was a receipt of stolen goods. When asked by Justice Morgan how he knew the coffee was stolen, he said that he had identical coffee stolen from him. Mr. Bluxom testified that he could not, so the count had no native but to discharge the prisoner.

WANT THEIR MONEY BACK

The following persons filed claims against the funds of the old Excise Board, before Reference yesterday: John Kelly, No. 413 East Fourth-street; \$75; Michael J. O'Brien, No. 108 Third-street; \$75; James A. Whelan, No. 21 Second-avenue; \$75; John Furey, No. 138 Hudson-street; \$75; Diedrich Knabe, No. 115 White-street; \$75; Patrick King, No. 786 Second-avenue; \$75; Jacob Costel, No. 21 South Fifth-avenue; \$75; Gustav Nehring, No. 108 Greenwich-avenue; \$75; William C. Smith, No. 108 Broadway; \$75; Louis Schmidt, No. 160 Cherry-street; \$30; Philip B. No. 193 Eldridge-street; \$75; Edward Gerbig, No. 108 Broadway; \$75; Henry J. Koenig, No. 144 Avenue D; \$75; Barbara Green, No. 475 Ninth-avenue; \$75; John McGuire, Fort Street; \$75; and Joseph P. McGee, No. 108 First-avenue. One Hundred and Sixty-nine cents and Four-avenue; \$30; George Koontze, No. 106 Bleecker-street; \$75; Albert G. Allen, No. 108 Broadway; \$75; C. H. Otten, One Hundred and Forty-third-street and Morris-avenue; \$75; Felix W. Macdonald, No. 108 Broadway; \$75; and John Howard, No. 41 Mott-street; \$75.

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ARRIVALS AT THE HOTELS.

A. B. Johnson, of Utica, is at the Parkview Hotel.

Thomas Swinyard, of Montreal, is at the Brewster House.

Rober Lenox Banks, of Albany, is at the Gilsey House.

Mayor Henry Bedlow, of Newport, is at the Astor.

Congressman T. T. Crittenden, of Missouri, is at the Grand Hotel.

Lieut. O. E. Gladstone, of the British Navy, is at the Windsor Hotel.

Ex-Congressman Julius Hotchkiss, of Connecticut, is at the Astor.

Congressman J. C. S. Blackburn, of Kentucky; ex-Gov. C. C. Washburn, of Wisconsin; and Hon. J. B. McWhorter, of the United States Navy, are at the Grand Hotel.

Hon. J. B. Roche, of England, and Danvers Walker, of Washington, are at the Fifth Avenue Hotel.

HE CONFESSED HIS GUILT.

Nearly a year and a half ago Henry L. Johnson, a book-keeper in the employ of John H. Anderson & Co., 40 Broadway, absconded after appropriating \$10,000 collected by him for his employers. He was recently returned to the City and surrendered himself to his former employers. When arraigned on a charge of embezzlement, in the Court of General Sessions, John Johnson, who is only 22 years of age and a native of Georgia, pleaded guilty and said that some years ago, the United States Army had been sent to the Victoria Falls, and that he was tried and acquitted, and came to New York to obtain employment from Anderson & Co. He was followed to this City by a friend of the name had lost, who threatened to inform his employer of his misdoings, and that in despair he took the money and spent it in drink. Judge Gilchrist sent him to the State Reformatory at Elmira, N. Y., instead of sentencing him to State Prison.

THE MORRIS CANAL BRIDGES.

The Passaic Canal (N. J.) Board of Channel Freeholders yesterday discussed the subject of the Morris Canal bridges, referred to in The Times few days ago. The board authorized the commission having the matter in charge to confer with the company to secure an improvement in the approaches to the company's bridges. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the owners of the board be directed to take whatever steps may be necessary to secure the safety of the bridges across the canal, and the power of the Morris Canal Company to regulate the height of the bridges across said canal in conformity, whether erected by the company or by board.

WAITING FOR A DYING MAN'S TESTIMONY.

Dr. Uprham called at the Eleventh Street Police Station yesterday and reported that Dr. Welch, the man who was injured in the Sheriff's affray and carried to the Bellevue Hospital, shows signs of improvement. He is still in a very weak condition, but is getting better.

Tomorrow the prisoner Green will again be taken to the Essex Market Police Court, with Anton Frey, charged with the same offense.

No evidence will be taken, however, the hearing will be formally adjourned until decided whether Walsh will receive.

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NOTES OF FOREIGN NEWS

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Foreign papers note the arrival of Brat Harze
his Consulate, at Crefeld, Rhineland.
Lord Beaconsfield's private secretary, the
Contag Corry, has had his little share of the
ra, having been made a companion of the Bath.
Mr. Lebouche, proprietor of the London
with has another libel split in his hands, because

one Mrs. de Lambris, who accuses Truch of crime, point him.

Dr. Brown-Séquard has been presented by the French Academy of Sciences as a candidate for the vacant medical place vacated by the death of Claude Bernard.

The Tramway Company of Edinburgh pays a dividend of 8½ per cent. Street railways in that city have been very successful, and have completely changed the character of the town.

Another recent aristocratic marriage in England is that of Lord Ralph Rathbone, son of the late Marquis of Lothian, to Lady Anne Fitzalan Howard, daughter of the late Duke of Norfolk.

The Mary Commandery, No. 36, of Knights Templar, of America, who are on a pilgrimage in Europe, are according to a formal message in Edinburgh, the Grand Lodge of Scotland on the evening of July 24.

A man was fined lately in London for instigating a riot on the platform of a street car instead of in the street, but, just as the fine was being paid, the fine of the company for providing no adequate accommodation inside.

A centenarian named Hutton died a few days ago at Mayfield, near Manchester. He was born in Glasgow, Aug. 18, 1777, and was in the pay of one of our regiments as a printer and soldier. He had a wife who was a soldier at Waterloo.

A man was set out on the 25th of July to swim from Scotland to Ireland. The distance at the point chosen is only 13 miles, but on account of the strong currents and tides, and the heavy weather, it is a passage of peculiar danger.

The Petit Lyonnais, which, together with *Le Républicain*, discovered the *soixantaine* Frenchman, who had tried to steal the *soixantaine* from Paris, now states that she is an impostor, and that the real Vera has been transported to Siberia.

dog-bites do not always result in hydrophobia in these days. A case in Leeds, England, lately reported, is in the owner of the dog having to pay over £100 for the benefit of the dog, and the owner's attention about the face and neck as to be disfigured for life.

The Marquis of Londonderry, with the Marchioness, his wife, and his son, Lord Castlereagh, and the latter's wife, lately gave a dinner to more than 400 of his tenants on his Irish estates. The entertainment took place in three tents on the lawn at the Marquis's residence.

Prof. Leone Levi, of the University of London, says that the aggregate earnings of English working men are \$1,500,000,000 annually, out of which they could easily save \$75,000,000, while in fact they only save \$25,000,000, the balance being wasted, mostly in drink.

A train-load of Arabian Sheikhs, with unpronounceable names, have arrived in Paris, and are receiving the capital in their picturesque national costumes. Their first business is to go to the Bois de Boulogne, and then to the Bois de Vincennes, visiting the Exhibition, where the appearance of this band of Orientals, in white turbans and flowing robes, attracted some thousands of spectators.

The Fourth of July was commemorated in Yokohama by a regatta and swimming-match organized by the United States steamer Monocacy, and a general reception on board of that vessel. In spite of the fact that the day was a Sunday, the celebration was heartily enjoyed by sports, to which the crews of all the men-of-war in harbor joined.

The Edinburgh *Scotsman*, discussing the mismanagement of New-York City by the corruptors who control its municipal affairs, says the people have been so long under the influence of the Tammany ring, that they are unable to do anything to get rid of the trouble to put down the gang of political adventurers who have taken charge of their affairs, and who have been so long in the saddle.

Mrs. Richardson, better known as Tibbels, a Philadelphia, who was a servant in the family of the late Duke of Devonshire, and who was the mistress of the Ettrick shepherd in her youth, and afterward occupied a cottage between St. Mary's Church and the Levens, has been charged with the forgery of some of the letters of the late Duke of Devonshire, and of those of Roger Wilson, and of other of the early contributors of *Blackwood*, died lately, at the age of 75.

The approaching marriage is announced of the Countess Hona Andrássy, daughter of the Austrian Prime Minister, to Prince Alfred Montenuovo, a Russian prince, the son of an Austrian Archduchess, who, in a second marriage, united with the Countess of Nipperg.

Countess Andrássy will, therefore, by her wedding, become the daughter-in-law of the Emperor of Austria, and the daughter of the reigning family, the Hapsburgs.

"I am told," says London *Truth*, "that after the collision on board the two German iron-clads, the *Albatross* and the *Arcona*, occurred on the coast of the Kaiser, Friedrich Wilhelm, a German admiral, who was on board the *Albatross*, was so much so much wanted of forethought that eight men who had gone on to the compartment to endeavor to stop the leak were ordered to be shot."

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in this region, partly cloudy weather, with frequent rains, followed by clearing weather, winds mostly south-west to north-east, stationary or rising temperature and barometer.

The platform of the Louisiana Democracy contains about as mischievous a series of demands as the most rabid of the Labor-Greenback Conventions have yet formulated. Subsidies for the Southern Pacific Railroad and the Brazilian Steamship Line; a levee system with an indefinite expenditure of public money; the repeal of the Resumption act; the abolition of national banks; and the payment of the later issues of bonds in irredeemable greenbacks—these are a few of the measures which the reckless set of demagogues who run the Democratic machine in Louisiana think calculated to improve the condition of the country. There is an ominous call upon the next Legislature to summon a Constitutional Convention, for the obvious purpose of throwing obstacles in the way of negro suffrage, and a sop is thrown to the Labor-Reformers in a meaningless demand that the "wealth-producing" class should be made secure in the enjoyment of the product of their labor. Those who look to the Southern Democracy as a conservative factor in the pending struggle over financial and economic questions must evidently look elsewhere than to Louisiana.

The opinion of the Attorney-General in regard to the payment of bills rendered by examiners of insurance companies sitting under the orders of the State Superintendent raises some very grave questions. This opinion was not needed to demonstrate the illegality of the course pursued by Superintendent SMYTH, nor to prove how totally indefensible was the action of the majority of the State Senate in refusing to consider SMYTH's ostentatious defiance of the law as a sufficient ground for his removal. But since Mr. SCHOENMAKER clearly sets forth the fact that the Insurance Superintendent was guilty of a misdemeanor in procuring the payment of bills to attorneys and appraisers without their being duly itemized, audited by the Controller, and having the amount allowed drawn from the State Treasury, the question arises why is the duty neglected of prosecuting Mr. SMYTH for his disregard of the law? Again, if a company is liable to be proceeded against for a forfeiture of its charter for payment of examiners' bills in violation of statute, why have no proceedings been taken against the companies that confessedly did this very thing? The Attorney-General remarks that "the statute is not a mere form, to be observed or not at pleasure," yet he has been a party to making it so just as obviously as the Insurance Superintendent, or the companies which submitted to the extortions of his agents.

"Yesterday's Democratic Convention in 'Little Delaware' was as usual a somewhat tame and one-sided affair. JOHN W. HAGL, of Kent, a gentleman who is popular with the caucus managers because it is understood that his contributions to the campaign fund will be most liberal, was nominated for Governor by acclamation, and the rest of the business transacted with at least apparent harmony. It is noticeable that the expected attack upon Senator BATTARD, and the promised denunciation of his conservative action upon the Presidential and other matters, did not occur. It was prevented, doubtless, and the passage of what is called a guarded endorsement of Delaware's Congressional Representatives secured, by the Senator's presence among the delegates. The platform itself, however, can hardly be regarded as even a guarded endorsement of the Senator's course. In the usual reckless and extravagant Democratic fashion, it denounces the manner in which the Presidential difficulty was settled, makes equivocal references to matters of tariff, and holds

Republican legislation on the finances responsible for all the business troubles of the country, but at the same time it declares that "the only honest and lawful money of the people of the United States is gold or silver coin, or a paper currency convertible into such coin."

The Congressional Labor Commission has taken a recess for a fortnight, to enable its members to digest the suggestions which have already been received. The persons listened to yesterday offered nothing especially novel, though several of them reinforced with much earnestness the views already advanced. Mr. McNALL, who, as Secretary of the Massachusetts Bureau of Labor Statistics, has had a good opportunity to study the question, thought that the matter was in a nutshell. The power of production had increased more rapidly than the power of consumption. He would, therefore, limit the former till the latter caught up, i. e., he would divide the work to be done among a greater number of employees, prohibiting any laborer from working more than eight hours a day. This is certainly a simple process, if the premises are correct. But there are two objections to it. One is that it is impracticable. The Government cannot prevent men from working as long as they wish. It may make it harder for them, or less profitable, but sooner or later they must work if there is any demand for their labor, and just as long each day as is necessary to satisfy the demand. In the second place, the proposition is seriously unjust. No Government has a right to forbid a man working as long as he chooses, or to compel an employer to engage five men to do the work which four could do just as well.

The details of the recent affray in Bosnia illustrate to perfection the kind of warfare in which the semi-savages of Northern Turkey are so skillful. A small detachment is dispatched on a reconnaissance, and traverses a peaceful district, dotted with quiet peasants carrying their produce to market, or stolid husbandmen who look up from their digging to shout a friendly good morning to the passing soldiers. On a sudden the latter find the town which they are about to enter barricaded and bristling with arms, and a deadly volley flashes in their very faces. Too weak to attack, they endeavor to retrace their steps, but instantly the whole country around them is in a blaze. The peaceful market-places change to armed skirmishes, the friendly husbandmen fling down their spades to snatch up knife or gun. Musketry crackles from behind every hedge, each gully is an ambush, each thicket a masked battery, and the peaceful march ends in a second Lexington or Concord. The first object of the insurgents, should they be able to muster an adequate force, must naturally be to isolate Gen. JOVANOVIĆ'S Herzegovina column from the Bosnian troops under Gen. PHILIPPOVIĆ, and to impede the communications of both with the Austrian frontier. This, it is true, cannot be done without the connivance of the neighboring States, but Austria has little to hope from them. Montenegro will not easily forgive the adverse influence which balked her of Duligno, and very nearly of Antivari likewise. Serbia is still smarting under Austria's appropriation of the coveted island of Ada-Kaleh when just within her own grasp. The Albanian Highlanders are ready to attack any one from whom plunder is to be hoped, and it is not difficult to guess with which side the sympathies of the Turkish Government will be.

WHAT WILL COME OF THE SILVER CONFERENCE?

There are those who expect that the monetary conference to which our Government has invited the various Governments of Europe will, in some manner, pave the way to a general adoption of the bi-metallic legal tender. We fear that their hopes will be disappointed. From the nature of the case, the conference is not likely to result in anything but talk. It may be taken for granted that England will send a representative to the conference, but it would be rash to infer from that fact that England will regard with favor any proposition to essentially change her present system. It is true that there is a party in that country, including some very intelligent economists and not without strength in Parliament, which earnestly advocates the bi-metallic idea; but it is also true that this party has existed in England for many years, that the use of silver as a legal tender at a fixed ratio with gold, has long been a pet notion of some of the most active English writers, and that in spite of the zeal and ability shown in its support, the plan has steadily lost favor.

The present Government has no desire to touch the question practically. Hon. STREPMER COVE said on Monday, in the House, that the Government deprecated any change; that the bi-metallic standard was very inconvenient, and that the duty of the Government should be limited, in respect of the currency, to the prevention of fraud. In this he expressed not only the view of the present Ministry, which has quite enough on its hands without meddling with the most intricate and delicate question of the day, but also the common sense of the country. English public opinion—the opinion of which Governments take note, and which is the final arbiter of financial propositions in that country, viz., the opinion of the business men—is firmly wedded to the gold standard. The introduction of silver as a common legal tender with gold is generally regarded as a wild vagary of French theorists and American demagogues, and has hardly more strength with the solid business classes than Socialism.

From the nature of the case, the conference is not likely to lead to anything except talk. The action of the United States has been such as to make agreement on a common ratio between the metals, even in those countries which now possess or are inclined to adopt a bi-metallic currency, substantially impossible. If our Government had invited conference on that point before taking action itself, the case would have been very different. We should have been offered an inducement of considerable value to the silver-using countries to select some common ratio between gold and silver, because, whatever that ratio might have been, there would have been a chance that this Government would take it, and great importance—probably undue importance—would have been attached

to such a result. But we have done precisely the opposite of this. We have first fixed our own ratio, and then a different one from the one in use in the countries having a silver legal tender, and then we have invited discussion. It is the height of absurdity to think that the other Governments will change their ratio for the sake of being in harmony with us. Even if there were a strong prevailing tendency toward the adoption of bi-metallicism, the course of the United States would have placed a serious obstacle in its way.

But, as a matter of fact, there is no such tendency. On the contrary, the drift of the current is in the opposite direction. France is, of course, the most important of the countries now using silver in common with gold as a legal tender. But the present French Government is, at most, only neutral regarding the question of continuing such use. If it could be persuaded that, by a slight change in its ratio of silver to gold, it could extend the use of silver, it would probably consider the proposal with favor, because there is a great deal more silver in the country than is convenient or profitable. But, as the case stands, there is no inducement for it to do so. The Government is, on the whole, inclined toward the gold standard. It is not prepared to demonstrate silver totally and explicitly, but it is bent on doing all it can to prevent its influx into France. It has already extended the time for which the coinage of silver is prohibited, and this prohibition will, beyond a doubt, be indefinitely maintained. It may be safely said that if France makes any change it will be in the direction of the gold standard. It is of the essence of the bi-metallic plan that a ratio once having been fixed, the two metals shall be left to themselves to come and go as the currents of trade may affect them. But France, which has for four years refused to leave them this liberty, is now less inclined than ever to do so. Of the other nations which will enter the conference, it is probable that Italy alone will be at all zealous in favor of any bi-metallic movement, and this only because, as Italy has very little coin of any kind, its legal-tender paper driving coin from the country, it is as content as the bonanza mine-owners are to buy bullion and coin it for any one who will take it at an advance on its real value. The fear of being inundated by Italian coin, which is already very plenty in France, is one powerful motive for the latter country to discourage the bi-metallic system. For all practical purposes, the conference may be set down as an experiment in lunar finances.

THE CHINESE EMBASSY.

The arrival of Mr. KEARNEY, the distinguished anti-Mongolian agitator, for a tour of proselytism in the East, and the coming of the Chinese Embassy for establishment at Washington, will inevitably bring the Chinese question before this part of the country as it never has been brought before. It is probably well for us to get both sides of the question together—banc and antidote. Certainly, if there is need of a Chinese Embassy anywhere in the world, it is at Washington, both with reference to the commercial and the political questions growing out of our rapidly-extending Chinese relations.

When our foreign commerce, after the war, began to seek channels for revival, no part of the world offered brighter prospects for it than China and Japan. The opening of the Pacific Railroad and the growth of the Trans-Pacific carrying lines gave this trade a stimulus which the new European route to Eastern Asia by way of the Suez Canal did not neutralize. The chief counterpoise to national zeal for a vast increase of friendly intercourse with China came from the Mongolian immigration to California, which, with some immediate benefits to cheap labor, brought a train of undoubted local evils, and soon made the Chinese name and race odious to a considerable part of the population of the Pacific slope.

Nevertheless, the predominant foreign trade of San Francisco, the metropolis of the Pacific coast, is Chinese trade. The year before last that trade at San Francisco included exports of merchandise alone to the value of nearly \$3,000,000, besides the specie; and last year the total exports to China, of all sorts, were more than \$20,000,000. This trade has almost wholly grown up in the last ten years. It is a trade, also, that interests the whole country, for it includes exports not only of flour and sugar, but of many products of mechanism. The exports of merchandise and specie from San Francisco to China last year were one-half greater than those to Great Britain, and greater than those to all other foreign countries combined. It is thus clear that our commerce with China, still in its infancy, is capable of great and valuable growth; and it is also clear that this commerce is hardly less important to the country as a whole than to the Pacific slope. It is true that the Chinese import trade to San Francisco is much greater than the export; but the imports at least bring in a heavy duty, and out of a total of \$8,892,432 paid in Custom-house duties last year at San Francisco, the Chinese merchants alone paid \$1,756,505, or over one-fourth. It might be added that, as usual in foreign trade, the Chinese of San Francisco put down large sums annually for warehouse rent, wharfage, and fire and marine insurance—upward of \$400,000.

Besides this important matter of commerce, the Chinese Embassy will find abundant occupation in considering the future treaty relations between China and the United States, and in protecting the rights of resident Chinamen. The course adopted by Congress last Winter on the former subject permits the Embassy to establish itself at Washington with self-respect, which would not have been possible had the flagrant breach of faith proposed by sundry demagogues been perpetrated. The present attitude of the Government is simply insulted and outraged by the newspaper publication and that he demanded an immediate retraction or "satisfaction." In fact, that, like another distinguished Southerner, he wanted "a foot-race or a funeral." To this Mr. WRIGHT, also through his friend, a military gentleman, sent word to Mr. HARPER that he could make no retraction of the statements complained of until he [HARPER] had regretted certain other newspaper statements which he had made reflecting upon the honor of him.

erty of the resident Chinese from the many outrages inflicted on them, both with and without the sanction of law, the Embassy will have a difficult task, because the Chinese, not being naturalized, can do little to protect themselves. They have to deal with the fact that from 100,000 to 120,000 of their countrymen are here, a proscribed race, and without that right to the ballot which usually procures at least some legislative championship. It is true that in Massachusetts and elsewhere Chinamen have been naturalized and allowed to vote, but the bulk of judicial decisions is the other way, and, above all, in the only region where it is a matter of practical importance. Not long ago, in the United States Circuit Court at San Francisco, Judge SAWYER decided that Chinamen are not entitled to become citizens, and this decision has not thus far been reversed by the United States Supreme Court. Thus, the Embassy has to care for a people in the country but not of the country; a people who herd together for protection, and are then blamed for not mixing with Caucasians; who pay a poll tax, but cannot vote; who pay school taxes, but are not admitted to the public schools, and are abused for despising education.

It is true that the Chinese have had a certain sort of championing hitherto. They have been largely protected in person and property, and also defended in their good name by men who have profited by their cheap labor in great public enterprises—building the Central Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads; working the extensive mines of California, from which they have taken out scores of millions of dollars; reclaiming the once worthless tule or marsh lands, of which they have redeemed a million acres, and so on. They have also found many defenders in factory and other employers, and here and there a Congressional lover of fair play, like Senator MORTON. They have had the faithful support of the Six Companies and their salaried attorneys or agents. No trade organization, however, nor any individual lawyer or Congressman could expect to command the attention and the respect at the seat of government which are due to the Embassy of a great foreign power.

THE CODE IN THE SOUTH.

The good example set by Mr. ALEXANDER when he refused to meet the fiery EPPA HUNTON upon what some people call "the field of honor," appears to have had quite a beneficial effect upon the gentlemen of the chivalric region to which the former belongs. It is at least certain that the example in question has just been followed by two of the best-known men in the cotton States, and, strange as it may appear, when it is remembered how such matters were regarded a few years ago, they do not seem to have lost caste by their refusal to make targets of themselves. One of these threatened "affairs" occurred in Mississippi, the other in Alabama, and in both cases the means employed to prevent "a meeting" are so characteristic as to furnish the most ample food for reflection. The Alabama difficulty grew out of the very eloquent and forcible address issued at the recent Republican convention held in that State. Truthfully, and with a directness which told of deep conviction, this Republican platform described the present political condition of the freedmen, denounced the policy which sanctioned that condition, and the means which had been employed to bring it about. The address bore internal evidence of having been written by ex-Congressman CHARLES HAYES, a steadfast Republican, and a native of Alabama, who, because of his politics and the bold way in which he gives vent to his opinions, has long been an object of particular dislike to his Democratic brethren. He did not deny the authorship imputed to him, and the official organ of the Democracy, published in Montgomery and edited by W. W. SCREWS, an exceedingly able "last ditcher," who is to be the next Secretary of State, denounced the address as a willful libel upon "the fair fame of Alabama's noble sons," and called Mr. HAYES "the champion liar of the South."

Unfortunately, Mr. HAYES had not the moral courage to treat this stuff with the silent contempt which it merited. He was a Southern man as well as a Republican, he felt that "his honor was at stake," and he sent his friend, a gentleman well up in the code, to demand a retraction and an apology. To this visit SCREWS paid no attention, and to a second communication from HAYES, asking for a meeting in Tennessee, he sent a friend to inform Mr. HAYES' friend that he had no answer to make. Thereupon the gentleman who disliked being called a champion liar takes occasion to remark in the public prints that W. W. SCREWS, the Democratic nominee for Secretary of State, having refused to give that satisfaction for an injury which all ideas of honor or courage or chivalry or manhood demand, "confesses to the world with quivering voice and on trembling knees that he is beneath the contempt of gentlemen, and is without the pride of a man, deficient in courage and every gentlemanly principle." All of which will probably do Mr. SCREWS as little harm with the sensible people of Alabama as the newspaper attack complained of injured Mr. HAYES.

The Mississippi "affair" was, all things considered, even more entertaining than the little difficulty between the Alabama gentlemen. It grew out of an attack upon A. T. HARPER, a very successful Democratic "stump" which was printed in the Vicksburg Herald by C. E. WRIGHT, a gentleman who has been equally successful in the same line of business, and "the negotiations" gone through with before "the complication was adjusted" were as suggestive as amusing. In the first place, Mr. HARPER, through his friend, a military gentleman, who served with distinction in the Confederate service, sent word to Mr. WRIGHT that he had been insulted and outraged by the newspaper publication and that he demanded an immediate retraction or "satisfaction." In fact, that, like another distinguished Southerner, he wanted "a foot-race or a funeral." To this Mr. WRIGHT, also through his friend, a military gentleman, sent word to Mr. HARPER that he could make no retraction of the statements complained of until he [HARPER] had regretted certain other newspaper statements which he had made reflecting upon the honor of him.

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(WRIGHT.) Then Mr. HARPER's military gentleman trotted back to Mr. WRIGHT's military gentleman and assured him that the statements referred to were not by any means intended to reflect upon the fair fame of Mr. WRIGHT, at which the military representative of that gentleman rushed to his principal, and after duly consulting him, had "the eminent satisfaction and pleasant duty" to retract and apologize for the statements made regarding Mr. HARPER. So the matter was settled, "the code" was satisfied, and neither the distinguished political principals nor their military seconds were injured.

A THIRTY GHOST.

The ghost business has been exceedingly dull of late. The demand has been small, and a number of prominent ghost-dealers have been detected in palming off adulterated or wholly fraudulent ghosts upon the public. There are, however, indications that things are about to improve, and in the northern part of this State a thrifty and enterprising ghost has recently made a brilliant and extremely profitable stroke of business.

Mr. Henry R. Brown is a middle-aged man, living not very far from the shore of Lake Champlain. He is a firm believer in the materialization of spirits. "Didn't I see the spirit of my wife up to Union one day," he is accustomed to say to those who tell him that he is deceived, "and didn't she grab for my hair the first thing! Don't talk to me about being deceived after that!" Not only has the athletic ghost of Mrs. Brown appeared to him, but he has seen, so he asserts, upward of one hundred and fifteen different ghosts, and thinks no more of shaking hands and conversing familiarly with disembodied spirits than he does of conversing with congenial farmers in the flesh.

Last January Mr. Brown lost by death his only daughter, at the age of 21. Of course, he was anxious to have an interview with her spirit, but just at that time his favorite medium was arrested for forgery, and was unable to hold sittings in jail. A few weeks ago another medium, of the female sex and of remarkable powers, came to the village where Mr. Brown resides. He promptly went to see her, but she failed to summon the required ghost. However, she informed Mr. Brown that were she to hold a séance at his house she could certainly summon the spirit of his missing daughter, and that such was her respect for him as an ardent spiritualist that she would not charge him anything for her services.

The next afternoon the medium, accompanied by her traveling agent, visited Mr. Brown's house, and after having passed a few minutes in his deceased daughter's room, in order that its magnetism might permeate her system, she put up a screen in the parlor, set down in a chair behind it, and with the light carefully turned down, proceeded to work. In a few minutes the ghost of a young lady arrayed in white came out from behind the screen and was immediately recognized by Mr. Brown as his daughter. She did not speak, but she put her arms around Mr. Brown's neck and kissed him as successfully as the most exacting man could desire. She then walked slowly to the door, beckoning to Mr. Brown to follow. She led the way to his late daughter's bedroom, where she seemed delighted to meet the cot bedstead of her early youth and the bureau of her maturer days. She hunted in one of the drawers of the latter until she found a hairbrush with which she "did" her back hair before the glass in a way so lifelike that it brought tears to her father's eyes. Then she selected a ring and a handkerchief from the property of the departed Miss Brown, and, returning to the parlor, disappeared behind the screen and was duly dematerialized.

Mr. Brown was delighted. The medium assured him that his daughter's ghost had taken the ring and the handkerchief to the spirit-land with her, and that the fact that the ghost desired those articles was a most convincing proof that she was really the late Miss Brown. How anybody could doubt the truth of spiritualism after such a demonstration as this, Mr. Brown could not imagine, and he insisted upon having another séance as soon as possible.

The next evening, the ghost of Mr. Brown's daughter appeared, carrying in her arms an infant ghost. At first, Mr. Brown was inclined to resent the appearance of this intrusive infant, but the medium's agent explained that it was the ghost of Miss Brown's baby brother. When Mr. Brown stoutly averred that no such baby ever existed, the agent said that very probably it, never did, but that the infantile ghost was that of a baby which, owing to circumstances beyond its control, had never taken up a residence on earth. This satisfied Mr. Brown, who immediately named his unexpected infant "Charles," and suggested that it had better be taken back in case it should begin to cry.

Accordingly, "Charles" was taken behind the screen, and the ghost of Miss Brown re-appearing, proceeded a second time to her room. She was evidently in want of clothes in the spirit world, for she collected an armful of Miss Brown's best dresses, and all her best stockings, and then made signs, which the agent said expressed a desire for her watch. Mr. Brown brought the watch and gave it to the ghost, who kissed him gratefully and returned to the other world. It must not be supposed that the ghost was of a grasping and miserly disposition, for after the séance Mr. Brown noticed that the medium was wearing his late daughter's ring, and was informed that the ghost had presented it to her, which shows that she was a thoughtful and generous ghost.

On the third evening another séance was held, and the ghost of Miss Brown informed her father, through the traveling agent, whose skill in translating signs was simply marvellous, that it made her very happy to have her "things" with her in the spirit land. Still there was something more that she wanted. All her life she had longed for a pair of diamond ear-rings, and if her father really loved her he could show it by presenting them to her at once. Diamonds, she said, were very generally worn in the other world, but it was not for that reason that she cared about them. The truth was, that her unsatisfied longing for diamond ear-rings dragged her down and prevented her from rising to the seventh sphere, where she could go immediately, if she only had her desire gratified.

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lay. He sent to New-York for them, and as soon as they arrived, presented them to the ghost. The truth of the latter's assertions were conclusively proved by the fact that she has never since revisited the glimpses of Lake Champlain, having, of course, ascended promptly to the seventh sphere, from whence no ghost oars to return to earth. The medium soon after left town, and though Mr. Brown often expresses a desire to see her, has never since been heard of.

This shows us how much an enterprising ghost may accomplish by strict attention to business, and proves that in the other world dresses, watches, stockings, and jewelry are worn and appreciated.

Referring yesterday to the PAGER family we committed an oversight, by assuming the present Marquis of Anglesey to be brother to Lord ALFRED PAGER, whose son last week married Miss STEVENS; whereas, although but five years senior to the Marquis, Lord ALFRED is his half-uncle, and as the Marquis has three half-brothers, one of whom has a son, ALFRED PAGER (Miss STEVENS' husband) has but a very remote chance of the Marquisate.

A remarkable destiny have the royal children of the ancient European Kingdoms in our day. Empress of Russia, Queen of England, King of Greece, King of Denmark, will be pretty well for a single family hailing from a thirteenth century. Had all gone well with LOUIS NAPOLEON, Empress of France might have been added to the list, for it is asserted that if there be one young man more in love than another, it is the ex-Prince Imperial with the charming Princess TRITA, and albeit the match is declared impossible, if only in the sense of disapproval of fate, this might possibly have been overlooked in the days when each New-Year's Day Europe trembled at the voice of the man of destiny at the Tuilleries.

At one of the theatres in a town of Nevada, the play of the "Forty Thieves" was lately presented, but in rather a meagre manner, as may be inferred from the lack of abundant scenery and properties in the far West. When Ali Baba had seen the thieves enter and quit the cave, he went to the wings and brought in a mule, having taken great offense at something, awaited his opportunity for revenge. No sooner had Ali come out of the wings than the thieves came to the stage, and he put them on the back of the beast, than he began his part of the performance. He let fly with his heels; kicked the shavings (the supposed riches) out of the bag; kicked down the cavern; kicked down a whole forest; kicked down the wings; kicked the end of the base, leaning against the stage, to pieces, smashed the footlights, and finally doubled up Ali by planting both feet in the pit of his stomach. The mule fairly cleared the stage and sent the audience into a great roar, the miners laying wagers that he could out-kick any mule in the State. The quadruped continued kicking as if he were hung on a pivot, until a rope was fastened around him and he was dragged off by the united strength of the company. The Nevadaans want to give the mule a benefit.

It was a significant sign of the times that on the 1st of this month those two vast establishments, the Fifth Avenue and Windsor Hotels, lowered their prices. To do them justice, they have positively lowered them, and not merely lowered them by a nominal amount, but by a considerable one. For five years have rolled away since the disastrous Autumn snow spoken of as "the panic." Most of the other hotels had already made great reductions, and there can be little doubt that they will have to make more, in view of a terrible foe at their doors in the shape of apartment houses. These are springing up by a profusion, that if it were not for the fact that they are not yet built, they would be a menace to the city. For two or three months, he is pretty sure to find one of these vast edifices looming up before him. The great advantage of an apartment house, even if the rent be high, over a hotel, is the fact that people can keep up an excellent appearance, and yet live as at home, and, in fact, as at a boarding-house, at a table, etc., is concerned, live with the utmost economy. Hence the removal to them of many of the resident population of hotels. Fifty-five dollars a week, the cost of two bedrooms and board, at the top of the house, in one of the big American-plan hotels, is \$2,124, a sum which would go a long way toward paying a family of four in comfort in an apartment.

The marriage lately took place of one of the Prince of Wales' fast in a two-fold sense, friends of Lord CARBONATE, who has been a boon companion of his Royal Highness from his Cambridge days. Lord CARBONATE has lived probably as "gay" a life during the last 15 years as any young man in London or Paris. All that could be got out of him in health with \$250,000 a year, he has done his best to get. Some years ago he came prominently before the public as the castigator of Mr. GREVILLE MURRAY for an article in the *Queen's Messenger*, a very serious case, reflecting on his father's infirmities, when the public sympathies were all with Lord CARBONATE. His great grandfather, Lord CARBONATE—the present peer's father—foolishly changed his name to CARBONATE—kept a large dry-goods store, which ultimately developed into a bank, at Nottingham. Then they established a bank in London, which has become world-famous, as SMITH, PAIN & SMITH. ROBERT SMITH, Lord CARBONATE's grandfather, came to the head of this firm, and was much consulted on finance by the second PRINCE. Thus a close intimacy sprang up between them, and at length PRINCE resolved to make his friend a peer, but GEORGE III. was horrified at the notion of a mere banker sitting in the House of Lords, and the utmost he would consent to was to create him a dignity which got him no more than a peerage, and with which he was in the habit of compromising any inconvenient request. But the thin end of the wedge of nobility having been thus ingeniously got in, ROBERT SMITH subsequently managed to become a peer of the United Kingdom. He was one of the Executors of his illustrious father, with which too truly he began, and I fear I owe more than I can pay"—for PRINCE, after long years of the control of empires, died a pauper.

It is not often that we know, or remember, if we do know, the origin of names with which we are most familiar. Their significance is frequently lost by altered circumstances or by want of information on our part. It is not generally known that the Hudson was called North River in contradistinction to the South River, as the Delaware was formerly styled. Massachusetts was so called because in the ancestral time it meant "about the neck of the hills," i. e., the Blue Hills. Boston, named after the English city, was originally St. Bardolph's Town, of which Boston is an abbreviated corruption. Albany was so christened in honor of the Duke of York and Albany, (afterward James II.) at the time it came into possession of the English, (1664.) The Dutch, for panther or lynx, which were used by the Iroquois. Manhattan is eminently fitting for the Metropolis, its import being town on the island. Mohawk was applied by the New-England tribes to the Iroquois, from their habit of eating live food. Niagara means neck of water; Onondaga, people of the basin stone; Oneida, place of the hawk; Seneca, a village on a mountain; Cayuga, a village on a mountain; Schoharie, river valley between the pine trees; Seneca (not classic, as many have supposed), is a corrupt Indian pronunciation of the Dutch word cimabar—vermilion. Jersey is a corruption of Caesarea, the old Latin name of the largest of the Channel Islands, and very unlike our own. The name of the river which flows into the Atlantic from the north, and empties into the Chesapeake Bay, is the name of the river which flows into the Chesapeake Bay, and empties into the Chesapeake Bay.

WASHINGTON, AUG. 6.—At the Cabinet session to-day the Secretary of War said that news had been received by the War Department, from the Rio Grande, to the effect that the Mexican army was being organized on their side of the Rio Grande for the purpose of repelling raids across the river by United States forces. It is regarded that matters are approaching a rather serious condition in that section. The orders to Gen. Ord, as frequently stated, remain in force, and raiders upon the side of the river will be followed up, and beyond a doubt, though the discovery of the Government is that there will be no occasion for any further crossing by our soldiers. The discussion of the matter was interesting, but it was not considered that any more serious warlike action was to be expected, and the Mexican army was not to be considered as a serious threat to the American forces on the Rio Grande. Occurrences of a startling character will be attended to as they arise.

Greek, Atlantic cables, the sea beyond North Atlantic.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Big Rapids (Mich.) Pioneer-Magnet prints a card in which a shoemaker offers for sale a new bill for \$8, given him in 1871 by Frank Damon, the National candidate for District Attorney.

Some of the Democratic delegates who participated in that remarkable convention at Mount Vernon assert that Judge Estell, who presided, was very much intoxicated, and fell asleep during the progress of the balloting.

Some imaginative individual has started a story that Jeff Davis has aspirations for a seat upon the Senate, as successor of Mr. Bruce, trusting to obtain from Congress a release of his political disabilities. Mr. Bruce's term does not expire until 1881.

Mr. Peter D. Wanner, of Reading, Penn., offers himself to the Democrats of Congress as Hester Clymer's district as a candidate for Congress in place of that gentleman, who, he says, has done nothing to justify reelection, but, on the contrary, has made "a ridiculous failure of himself."

A Franklin County man writes to the *Union Republican* that the statement of the Hon. John L. Gibbons, "that Conkling is without foundation, and was made for a malicious purpose. The people of Franklin County want and will have Mr. Gilbert to represent them in the next General Assembly."

Carter H. Harrison, in a speech, at Chicago, Saturday night, said that if he sits in Congress again, he shall try to secure the passage of a bill providing for a progressive income tax. He claims to be the first man in America that ever proposed it, and the first one who ever wrote on the subject, he being ahead of the Government.

At a meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee of Missouri, on Saturday, Gov. Flagg said that, although the Greenback Party was certainly working very well, he anticipated very little trouble from that quarter. There was no fear to be entertained in regard to the State ticket. The Democrats would all come back to the party eventually, and the Republicans would stick to their guns.

Representative J. C. S. Blackburn predicted in a speech in Lexington, Ky., one night last week, that there will be four candidates for the office of President in 1880. He said that the Republicans will be led by Grant, the Conservatives by Benjamin F. Butler, and the Democrats by Senator Allen G. Thurman. He declared there was no danger of Tilden's nomination, and expressed the belief that the mention of his name before a Democratic convention would meet with failure.

Ex-District Attorney George M. Stearns, of Chicago, has been nominated by the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Eleventh Massachusetts District. He is one of the strongest men in his party in Western Massachusetts, and his repeated refusal to run for Congress is disheartening to them. Four years ago, when he declined, Chester W. Chapin, President of the Boston and Albany Railroad, was elected; two years ago the Republicans carried the district, electing Mr. Robinson, who, like Mr. Stearns, is a Chicago lawyer.

The Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Times says: "Several of the best-informed Democrats here, who participated in every step taken by the party during the Electoral discussion, do not agree with Manton Marble's elaborate statement printed to-day. These Democrats, who would seem to be as well informed as Marble, seem positively shocked at the statement that the Democrats in Congress felt themselves obliged to agree to the Electoral bill as finally passed."

A Democratic paper down in Louisville thus enumerates a few of the qualifications required of the Democratic candidate for President: "He must

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THE REAL ESTATE MARKET.

The following business was transacted at the Exchange yesterday, Tuesday, Aug. 6:

Wm. F. Meyer, foreclosed sale, M. J. M. McQuinn, Esq., referee, sold the five-story brick building, with lot 18.3 by 33.8 by 16.43 by 43, No. 62 West 12th, 43.5 feet front of Leonard at, for \$7,000, to John Taylor as grantee and purchaser.

John T. Boyd, foreclosed sale, William A. Boyd, Esq., referee, sold the four-story brick house and three-story brick building, with lot 25 by 39.9, No. 421 East 44th-st., north side, 250 feet east of 24-av., for \$10,000, to John Taylor.

Hugh N. Camm, foreclosed sale, Edgar Ketchum, Esq., referee, sold the three-story brick dwelling, with lot 18.9 by 100.11, No. 424 East 130th-st., south side, 315 feet west of Avenue A, for \$4,500, to John Taylor.

The foreclosed sale of the T. Boyd of the two houses, with lot 18.9 and 189 West 26th-st., west of 6th-av., was adjourned to Aug. 13.

RECORDED REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

NEW YORK.

Monday, Aug. 6.

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A RAILROAD CATASTROPHE.

FIFTEEN PERSONS KILLED AND FORTY WOUNDED.

AN EXPRESS TRAIN ON THE PANHANDLE ROAD CRASHED INTO A FREIGHT TRAIN—SEVERAL POSTAL CLERKS, RAILROAD MEN, AND PASSENGERS KILLED—TERRIBLE SCENES OF SUFFERING—THE ACCIDENT CAUSED BY A CONDUCTOR'S CARELESSNESS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 7.—One of the most terrible accidents that ever took place on the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad occurred shortly after 1 o'clock this morning. Four miles west of Steubenville, Express train No. 6, from the east, was four minutes behind time, and was running at lightning speed, when, without an instant's warning, it came in collision with the first section of freight train No. 13, from the west. Both engines were completely demolished, while a passenger car, filled with emigrants and two mail cars, were rolled down an embankment, and broken to pieces. The shock was so terrific as to awaken persons sleeping in their homes three quarters of a mile away. Thirteen persons were killed outright and died soon after being taken from the wreck. Two more died this afternoon and two or three more will probably not recover. The list of wounded will exceed 40, but as some of the slightly wounded continued on their journey early this morning, the exact number cannot be ascertained.

The scene of the wreck after the accident is described as heartrending. It was very dark, and it was only by the groans under the debris that the injured passengers were able to find where the victims lay. Assistance was soon procured from Mingo Station, about one mile distant, and the work of rescuing the wounded and extricating the bodies of the dead began. The men toiled hard, but it was not until after daylight that the last victim was recovered. The bodies were, in many cases, blackened, torn, and unrecognizable. The dead and wounded were taken to Steubenville, where the railroad hospital, which had recently been discontinued, was brought into use. It was found to be overcrowded, and several adjacent houses were thrown open to receive the maimed and suffering. The citizens vied with each other in their efforts to be of assistance to the unfortunate victims.

Of the occupants of the Cincinnati postal car all were killed but one—G. L. Mareau, of Cincinnati—who escaped with a fracture of his right leg.

FRANK D. GRAHAM, the head clerk, was killed. He was one of the most popular men on the road, and was married only a short time ago.

The other two killed in this car were W. R. JOHNSON, of Cincinnati, and AUGUSTUS ANDREWS, the local agent, of Clarksville, West Va. The bodies were taken charge of by the other postal agents, and will be shipped to their friends.

The other persons killed who were recognized were:

Mrs. CULLEN, of Bridgeport, Conn.
BERNARD MILLER, of Germany.
JOHN CUREY, of County Down, Ireland.
FREDERICK GROSS, of Mannheim, Germany.
PATRICK GLANVILLE, of Ireland.

JOHN DUGGAN, engineer of the passenger train.

The other bodies were not recognized. They were placed in neat coffins, and will be buried at Steubenville.

The wounded are:

R. K. CONWELL, Unionville, Ohio.
MARGARET BRANDON, East Bridgeport, Conn.
SAMUEL SEMPLER, Philadelphia.
Mrs. McCORMICK, Glasgow, Scotland.
Mrs. JANE BOWMAN, Glasgow, Scotland.
JESSE BOWMAN, ROBERT BOWMAN, children of Mrs. BOWMAN.

Mrs. MARY HALEY, New-Rochelle, N. Y. (dying).
GEORGE THOMAS, Washington, D. C.
EDWARD DOWLING, Allegheny, Penn.
Mrs. F. OWENS, Bridgeport, Conn., and two children.

Mrs. MARIA CULLEN, Bridgeport, Conn.
JAMES CULLEN, the husband of the latter, and their daughter FANNY.

Mrs. EDWARD BUSE, Louisville, Ky.
J. W. HARRIS, Ravensville, Ohio.
JOHN B. THOMAS, Philadelphia.
J. P. SHAEFER, Monticello, Ind.
W. D. ASHLEY, Allegheny, Penn.
J. C. FULTON, Burgetstown, Penn., (fireman on the passenger train).

CHARLES GRAHAM, (engineer on the freight train).
FRED P. ORSON, New-York.
MARY McDONALD, London, England.

Mrs. PHILLIPS, Tippecanoe, Harrison County, Ohio.
W. H. HOUTON, Indianapolis, Postal Clerk.
GEORGE L. WEST, Cambridge City, Ind., Postal Clerk.

J. C. MATTHEWS, Postal Clerk.
CHARLES McCANN, Wreck-master Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad.

Among the wounded are representatives of all nationalities, and considerable difficulty was experienced in finding interpreters to ascertain the wants of some of the sufferers. There was great excitement in Steubenville during the day, especially upon the arrival of the train, bringing the bodies of the dead and wounded. The scene of the wreck was visited from the surrounding country. The railroad officials did all in their power to render prompt assistance and provide for the care of the dead.

Mr. Harris, of Jansenville, who escaped by jumping through the window of a car, described the crash as terrific. The huge iron axles and wheels of the cars were bent and broken, and the track was torn up for a considerable distance. It was nearly noon before the wreck was cleared away and the blockade raised so that trains could pass. The disaster occurred only a few hundred feet from the scene of an accident several years ago, where J. N. McCullough, Vice-President of the road, and other prominent persons were injured. None of the passengers in sleeping cars were injured.

The responsibility for the terrible accident is placed upon the officers of the freight train, which should have waited at the Alexandria Road for the express. It is alleged that the watch of the conductor, William Stirling, was 20 minutes slow, and that he was running to Mingo under the impression that he had plenty of time to go on. He, with his fireman, Wayne James, disappeared after the wreck, and were last seen at Alexandria at 11:30 to-day. It is said that the operator at Dennison heard that the freight train had left Alexandria when too late to stop it, and knew at once that a collision must occur, but was powerless to prevent it.

THE GRAVEHOPPER IN DAZOTA.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 7.—A Bismarck special to the Pioneer Press says grasshoppers have appeared in Dakota, flying east. They have done much damage to growing crops. It is thought they will reach Minnesota, but cannot do much injury there so late in the season.

DEATH CAUSED BY A WASH-OUT.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Aug. 7.—A very sad accident occurred last night, about 11 o'clock, on the New-London Northern Railroad, near Northfield Farms, three persons losing their lives. An engine, with one or a heavy and passenger coach, combined, was stopped near Northfield by a slight wash-out, and after the track had been relaid, it proceeded on for a short distance, when the track suddenly caved in, precipitating the engine and tender down a gorge about 20 feet high and 40 feet deep. The engine, a well-known one, was wrecked, and saved the five passengers from harm. On the engine were Engineer M. J. Pates; Ralph Root, a former engineer on the road, and George Arnold, the fireman. Pates was wedged in on one side of the wreck, the escaping steam scalding the lower part of his body. A bell-rope was fastened around his shoulders and he was drawn out. He died in a couple of hours. Root was found under the wood of the tender, and was taken out dead. Arnold lay under the tender, and his body had not been found, and he is supposed to be beneath the wreck. The conductor and brakeman were slightly hurt, but all the others escaped serious, or even fatal, injuries. An Irish lad on the train, Tom Rouse, who seized a red lantern, and running down the track, stopped a freight train which was following close behind. The Irish lad, Pates, who was a native of Rutland, Vt., was particularly sad. He was engaged to a Brattleboro, Vt. girl, and expected to marry her. To-day she came to claim her lover's body. Root, who met his death while taking a free ride on the engine, leaves a family at Brattleboro, and a wife and three children at Westfield, Vt., his home. The night was dark and rainy; the telegraph wires were down, and help was slow in getting to the place. The passengers were cared for at neighboring farm houses.

ANOTHER POLITICAL ARREST.

H. E. KIMPTON, LATENT FINANCIAL AGENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, IN CUSTODY.

WESTFIELD, Mass., Aug. 7.—Mr. H. E. KIMPTON, financial agent at New-York for the State of South Carolina from 1868 to 1873, and who negotiated the sale of between \$900,000 and \$1,000,000 of the bonds of that State, was arrested in this town this afternoon, by State Detective Campbell, on the authority of a telegram received four weeks ago from Gov. Wade Hampton, charging Kimpton with embezzlement of \$200,000.

The arrest, he telegraphed Wade Hampton that Kimpton was in custody, and in reply received a letter from the Governor, dated at Columbia, S. C., directing him [the officer] to detain Kimpton till further instructions from Gov. Hampton, who was at that time in New-York, came to town to-day from New-York to see his wife, who is at her uncle's, Major Fred Bush, Kimpton's residence, that the transaction was satisfactory, and that the State really now owes him about \$200,000, that he is well, and that all matters of difference between himself and the State authorities to arbitration, and that he is willing and anxious to meet his charges, and to accept of the laws of New-York, where the business transactions took place. Kimpton is a classmate of Gov. Chamberlain. He will have a hearing to-morrow before Judge Wood, and effort will doubtless be made to secure his release by a writ of habeas corpus. Kimpton is a native of South Carolina, and has been in New-York for several years, and is now holding a council in front of the lock-up, which is guarded by Detective Campbell and Officers Knott, Porter, and a police officer. The Chairman of Selection, Thayer, has been called up. He says the prisoner shall remain in the custody of the town until morning at all hazards.

A NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Aug. 6.—Sylvander Merritt, an old passenger engineer on the Erie Railroad, and President of the Village of Fort Jervis, had an exceedingly narrow escape from death near Howell's Station, four miles west of this place, to-day. He was running express train No. 4 east. As it was approaching the above station, running fast, the cab of the locomotive was suddenly shattered to pieces on the right side, the top of the cab was blown off, and the train, with its engine and tender, was hurled on that side, and heavy timbers on the tender were torn to splinters. A part of the roof of the cab settled on the lever controlling the whistle, and prevented it from blowing, and the signals. Engineer Merritt at once applied the air-brake, and stopped the train in a remarkably short distance. The side rail on the right of the locomotive had broken at the further end. This rod is a solid piece of steel, four or five inches thick, and extending from the journal of the locomotive to the cab. It was hurled against the tender, smashing the heavy timbers of the water-tank. From there it was thrown a hundred feet away from the track. The blowing of the whistle was prevented by the cab being hurled against the tender, and the cab was hurled by the force of the blow half the length of the train. Fortunately, the engineer was standing up at the time. If he had been in the seat provided for engineers at the side of the cab, he would have been crushed to death instantly. No one was hurt in the least. The train was delayed only a few minutes.

A MISEE'S GREAT CHERITY.

RICHMOND, Aug. 7.—The Miller Manual Labor School building, near Medium's River Depot, in Albemarle County, was dedicated to-day. There was a large crowd present, including visitors from Richmond, Charlottesville, and Staunton. Addresses were delivered by Gov. Holliday and Dr. Ruffner, Superintendent of Public Education in Virginia. From the class of Emory and Henry College, is the Superintendent. It is believed that this institution will do much to encourage the manual laborer in the State. Samuel Miller, of Lynchburg, who at his death seven or eight years ago was probably the richest man in Virginia, left the bulk of his estate to found a school for the poor in a tract of land near where he was born. He was an exceedingly pious man. He had a wife and prepared before he died, and designed by it to be a memorial to his wife. The school is a two-story building, and is a fine specimen of modern architecture. The school is a fine specimen of modern architecture. The school is a fine specimen of modern architecture.

THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

CONGRESSMAN FOSTER OF OHIO.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The Star, this afternoon, publishes an interview with Hon. Charles Foster, of Ohio, on the political situation. That gentleman is at present, in the absence of Secretary Gorman, performing duties in the Republican Campaign Committee rooms. Mr. Foster said he had been somewhat misrepresented on the subject of making light of the President's Southern policy. He had said that the measures of reconciliation adopted by the President were not so successful as he had hoped they would be. He sees some progress in the Independent movement which seems to be springing up in the South, but does not, however, see any great amount of the fruit of a reconciliation down there. Mr. Foster remarked that he still believed there was a solid South. He said: "Of course, the President has been somewhat misrepresented on the subject of making light of the President's Southern policy. 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NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, AUG. 9, 1878.

AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

HILMORE'S GARDEN.—Soprano, Mezzo-Soprano, Tenor, Violoncello, and Orchestra.

THE AQUARIUM.—RARE AND CURIOUS FISH.—THEATRE.

THE TIMES IN LONDON.

A Branch Office of THE NEW-YORK TIMES has been established in Paris, at No. 39 Rue de Lafayette, where the paper is on sale. Copies of THE TIMES may also be obtained from Mrs. Mitchell, Klugeau No. 131, Boulevard des Capucines.

The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in this region, warmer, clear weather, followed by increasing cloudiness and occasional rain, falling, followed by rising barometer, winds mostly south-westerly.

It would seem that the agitation in favor of a commercial treaty with France has been very judiciously conducted so far. The preliminary conference met in Paris on Wednesday, and took into consideration, as a basis of discussion, the project of a treaty which was submitted to it. The delegates to the conference include some of the best-known and most experienced merchants and manufacturers of both countries. If they can agree upon any specific propositions, a long step will have been taken toward success, but it must necessarily be much easier to get the Governments of the two countries to consent to an arrangement framed and indorsed by business men, than to induce the business community to accept propositions conceived entirely by the political authorities. The difficulties in the way of a reasonable treaty cannot be ignored, but if they can be overcome at all, it would seem that the present method might be the most promising one by which to overcome them.

The speech of Gen. EWING, in acknowledgment of his nomination as a candidate for Representative of the Tenth Ohio District in the Forty-sixth Congress, is an instructive mixture of fact and fallacy. Of course, there is the usual amount of nonsense about an irredeemable paper currency being the only stable medium of exchange, and there is the ridiculous demand that "currency and values" should be restored to where they stood in January, 1875. Why the date should not have been placed two years earlier is a somewhat difficult surmise. But the speaker is at least shrewd enough to perceive that the large balance of trade at present standing to the credit of the United States is "neither healthy nor lasting," and that the minority of the Democratic Party in favor of hard money "will have to yield to the majority or quit." Gen. EWING further maintains that Western and Southern Democrats are prepared to go quite as far on the financial question as the most ardent Nationalists can desire, and that unless in the North-east, "where the Democratic organization is in the fist of the money power," there is "neither room nor occasion" for the operations of the new party.

The Republicans of South Carolina, at their State Convention held in Columbia yesterday, confined themselves exclusively to the consideration of local affairs. They reaffirm their fidelity to the National Republican platform of 1876, but have nothing to say in regard to the new financial and labor issues which are agitating parties in other parts of the country. It is evident from the terse and pointed resolutions which they have adopted, that they regard their political rights as still insecure, and that for the time, at least, they have no inclination to discuss other questions. They charge the Democrats of the State with being unfaithful to the pledges made by them in 1876, hold that the promises of political non-interference made by the friends of the present administration have been ignored, and in proof of the charge point to the fact that seventeen Republican members of the Legislature, who had been elected by a majority of over six thousand votes, were deprived of their seats by a partisan and unscrupulous majority acting without regard to justice, precedent, or law. They refused, by an almost unanimous vote, to pass a resolution indorsing HAYES and HAMPTON, and believing that any efforts at a canvass which might be made by them could only be conducted with great danger and without profitable results, they declined to make nominations for State officers.

The nomination of ROBERT SMALLS as the Republican candidate for Congress in the Fifth South Carolina District, is happily not in keeping with the despondent tone of the resolutions passed by the State Convention. If there is any man in the Palmetto Commonwealth who can make a determined fight in the face of desperate odds, that man is "Brave Black 'Bob,' the pilot." Born a slave, self-educated, and self-reliant, he did good service during the rebellion, and made a national reputation by delivering the rebel transport *Planter* over to the Union fleet. In Congress he has already served with credit, and as his district is Republican, in a fair election, by a majority of at least five thousand, there is every reason to hope that he will overcome Democratic violence and fraud, and once more be returned to the seat he has filled so well.

The United States Government formerly maintained a Minister at the Greek Court. After a while Congress voted to maintain only a Chargé d'Affaires at that point; and the House of Representatives, ignorantly striking about, in its absurd Democratic fashion, out the salary of the Chargé from the consular and diplomatic list. This happened in the midst of the late war in Europe, and when, if ever, a diplomatic representative in Greece would be useful to us, and to the cause of justice and humanity. Mr. READ, formerly Minister, and more lately the Chargé d'Affaires, consented to fill the office without salary, rather than see the post abandoned. It is probably beyond

dispute that some of Mr. READ's communications to the State Department have lacked practical value; they have even been "gushing" and sentimental. Nevertheless, Mr. READ, an honest, capable, and faithful man, and we are indebted to his patriotism that during the European crisis the vicious stupidity of the Democratic majority in the House of Representatives has not left us unrepresented in Greece.

The Porte's significant announcement that it "cannot answer for the proceedings of the Bosnian population," is a very happy retort of Austria's recent declaration that she "cannot fix any limit to the occupation of the Provinces," and it has evidently been interpreted aright by the insurgents and their sympathizers. Of the 3,000 men holding Trebinje, the key of Southern Herzegovina, under SULAIMAN Pasha, one-half have already deserted to the Army of the insurrection, and it seems probable that SULAIMAN's stout declaration that "no insurgent can be allowed to enter the town" will end in a peaceable evacuation or an equally peaceable admission of the native forces. Meanwhile, the latter, strengthened by these 1,500 auxiliaries, as well as by the 3,000 Montenegrins who are said to be coming up from Gatchko, will be able to meet the regulars on tolerably equal terms, the whole Austrian force in the two Provinces numbering barely 40,000 men, and being widely scattered. Under such circumstances, the indignation in Vienna, the hurrying up of succors, and Austria's threatened withdrawal of her Envoy, are natural enough. If the Italian agitators really wish for a chance of striking a blow at Austria, a few hundred volunteers and a few thousand stand of arms landed at Antivari during the next few days, would amply suffice to effect it.

Mayor ELY is credited with the intention of holding the threat of removal over the Police Commissioners by way of securing his nomination by Tammany as his own successor. The grounds of removal will, it is said, be found in the report of those serviceable cat's-paws, the Commissioners of Accounts, who are at present engaged in the investigation of the mysteries of the street-cleaning fund. Should Mr. ELY force on Tammany Hall his candidacy for a second term by that or any other means, not even the most unscrupulous manipulation of election returns within reach of the agents of the Police Board could save him from defeat; should he carry out his implied threat of removing the Police Commissioners, the chances of a fair election would be decidedly better than they are. In either case, the public will be the gainers. It is to be hoped that the managers of local Republican organizations are thoroughly awake to the fact that any bargain with Tammany this Fall, on the basis of the renomination of Mayor ELY, or of any other candidate pledged to divide the spoils of City office in return for services rendered, will be repudiated by the respectable majority of the party in this City.

A PARTY MISNOMER.

Nothing is more strikingly illustrative of the way in which, in American politics, words are made to do duty for facts, than the custom which the Democratic journals and orators have of calling their party conservative. There is nothing in the tendencies of that party, nothing in its past achievements or in its present avowal of principles which warrants the assumption that its aims are conservative. On the contrary, it is essentially a destructive party, and one which more readily lends itself to extreme and radical ideas, provided they are likely to be popular, than any other organization known to our history. It is not fashionable at the present moment to refer to the war of secession, or to the causes which led up to it, as elements in the actual situation; but we venture to say that no sensible American citizen can quite forget the part which the Democratic Party played before and during the war, ready to surrender the control of the Government to the slaveholding oligarchy—unrepublican in its feelings, in its aims, and in its methods. During the war, the party was always directly or indirectly prepared to hamper the Government, and to encourage the rebellion. After the war, it strained every nerve to prevent the nation from reaping the fruits of the terrible sacrifices which had been made; it labored to preserve to the insurrectionary leaders all the power which they had enjoyed before their mad attempt upon the national existence, and even more, for it would have given to the white people of the South the whole, instead of two-thirds, the representation of the colored population.

Nor is it only in its narrow-minded adhesion to the dangerous ideas of the past that the Democratic Party has been and is essentially anti-conservative. It is equally so in its treatment of the important questions of the hour. We have already pointed out its attitude with reference to the wild notions of the "National" Party, notions ridiculous enough as specimens of mental illusion, but which, if they were once applied in practice, or even if any serious attempt were made to apply them, would bring untold suffering and misery upon the community, and especially upon those classes whom the demagogues of the Democracy are now flattering. This base coquetry, with ideas which they know are in the last degree unsafe is, however, only another instance of the deep-seated tendency of the Democratic leaders toward demagogism, and demagogism is the most insidious and the most effective force in the destruction of a free society.

A still more striking instance of the same impulse is afforded by the treatment accorded by the Democratic leaders to the question of administrative reform. Every intelligent man knows that the root of very much of the corruption which threatens the success of representative institutions in America is the spoils system in our civil service. The growth of that system has gradually but almost completely changed our elections from great debates over essential questions of policy to a scramble for office. Year by year we have seen the "professional politician," that is, the man who makes his living in one form or another from office-holding, carry the direction of electoral struggles, and direct the methods, and even the results, of the election.

action, and seize on the fruits of the popular vote as if they were his own. Year by year we have seen the real, active popular interest in questions of government die out, until a large part of the people regard elections as a dangerous nuisance, which are not abated only because to do so would cost too much trouble, but which are shunned and neglected by from one-third to one-half of the most intelligent voters of the country. Against this crying evil men have been found in the Republican Party bold enough and wise enough, not only to protest, but to contend. There is to-day in that party a considerable element which sincerely desires to see the spoils system absolutely abolished, and to have the elections become, as they were intended to be, simple and convenient occasions for ascertaining the popular wish in regard to the main principles of the Government and its administration. But with this conservative purpose, which must be carried out, if the country is to preserve its institutions in their original force and integrity, there is not one of the Democratic leaders who actively sympathizes. To these reformers of the civil service is simply a question of the "outs" and the "ins." They have no higher conception of the nature of the most pressing and practical question of the hour than that it is an occasion for displacing their political rivals and ensconcing themselves in good berths. Mr. TILDEN, for example, undoubtedly went as far as the boldest of them would dare to go toward a radical reform, but his plan was shrewdly framed to convey to his followers the idea that the practical outcome of reform would be the election of Republicans and the introduction of Democrats under precisely the same spoils system which has so long degraded and de-framed the country.

We are by no means prepared to deny good intentions to many of the Democratic leaders or to the mass of their followers. But under universal suffrage the tendencies of parties are more potent than intentions, and we are quite within the record when we say that the tendencies of the Democrats of to-day are not toward reform, but toward demoralization, not toward a safer and more guarded policy on the part of the Government, but toward a policy in the last degree reckless and perilous, not conservative, but destructive.

DISTRICTS WHICH SHOULD BE RE-PUBLICAN.

A glance at the returns of the last Congressional election shows that a large number of districts in all parts of the country were secured to the Democrats by majorities which were in many cases unprecedentedly small. There is no good reason why some of these districts should not this year be carried by Republicans. Many of them can be, if the campaign is conducted with proper energy, and an earnest determination to succeed. In the Second Ohio, for instance, composed of a part of Cincinnati and a number of adjacent townships, HENRY B. BANNING, who has since become famous as "the Bounding BANNING," "scratched his way through" with a bare majority of 75 votes. His success was undoubtedly to be attributed to a number of causes which will not now as then operate against the Republicans. In the first place, his opponent was STANLEY MATTHEWS, who was even then regarded as "a trimmer," and who, because of his Know-nothing record, was very unpopular with the old German element in the City, and with the straight Republicans. Even with these influences working against him, however, he would doubtless have been elected were it not for the extensive and barefaced ballot-box stuffing and other election frauds practiced by Democratic repeaters. This year, under the new law, it will be next to impossible for the Democratic managers to practice those arts in which they are such adepts, and if the Republicans nominate a strong man they should find no difficulty in electing him. Ex-Gov. "Tom" YOUNG is such a man. Earnest, outspoken, and honest, with an official record in which there is not one flaw, he would bring out the full strength of his own party and draw largely from the Germans and Independents. His election would be almost a foregone conclusion.

In the First Ohio District the fight will not be so easy a one; still the Republicans can win if they try hard enough. At the last election, by a repetition of the tactics practiced in the Second District, and because of his popularity with "the boys," MILTON SAYLER, the Democratic candidate, was successful. Even under these most favorable circumstances, however, his majority was only six hundred and seventy. His followers are now divided against themselves, and his renomination is regarded as doubtful. If he should be defeated in the convention, Republican success would be assured. If he is again a candidate, the contest would be a closer and more exciting one; but, in any case, the district can be and should be carried by the Republican nominee. Another Western district which the Republicans can carry by proper effort is the first Michigan, now represented by Gen. WILLIAMS. In 1876 he was elected by a fair majority, his vote being 14,471 against 12,417 cast for the Republican, and 1,763 for the Greenback candidate. Since the last election, however, the political complexion of the district has changed wonderfully. Two years ago nearly all the Greenback candidate's votes were drawn from the Republicans. Now the Nationalists are making far heavier drafts upon the Democrats than the soft-money men did upon their opponents; indeed, the Democracy of Detroit has been almost broken up by the new movement, while the Republicans are more united and hopeful than they have been for years. Under such circumstances it is safe to predict that the district will be carried by a Republican or a National-Greenbacker. The First Indiana is still another of the Western districts which is naturally Republican, and which should be regained. Two years ago it was lost by the candidacy of an Independent, who drew heavily from the regular Republican nominees. Now it is understood that the Republicans are thoroughly united, and that they can and will elect their candidate.

CARTER H. HARRISON, an incoherent specimen of the wildest type of Democracy, who, because of Republican mismanagement, was, two years ago, elected by a

small majority from the Second Illinois District, is a candidate for re-nomination, and if he gets it, as seems likely, there ought to be very little difficulty in defeating him. If his constituents knew what a ridiculous figure he cuts in Washington, he would not get a handful of votes in the entire district. In addition to the Second, the Eighteenth Illinois District should be secured by the Republicans. It is now represented by WILLIAM HARTZELL, a harmless Democratic nonentity, whose majority two years ago was just twenty votes. The district is naturally Republican by eight hundred to a thousand. It was thrown away by over-confidence and lack of energy on the part of the Republican leaders.

In Pennsylvania, there are at least two districts now represented by Democrats which belong of right to the Republicans, and which can be secured to them in the coming contest. We refer to the Thirtieth and Eighteenth. The former elected JAMES B. REILLY two years ago by a majority of eighty-one. Now, however, the County of Schuylkill, which goes to make up the district, is wild on the National question. The new movement has, in fact, completely demoralized the Democracy, and if the Republicans, who are said to have very successfully resisted the Greenback craze, will work earnestly together, they will, in all probability, elect their candidate. The Eighteenth District is exceedingly close, and in recent Congressional contests has been very unreliable. A great deal depends upon the personal popularity of candidates. In 1876 it gave the Republican Presidential ticket a majority of 600, but elected the Democratic nominee for Congress by 169. This year the Republicans appear to be working well together, and their success seems to be assured. In addition to these districts there are a number in New-England which are naturally Republican, though now represented by Democrats. Among these may be mentioned the Third Massachusetts, from which "Ben" DEAN was fraudulently seated by a partisan House; the Fourth Massachusetts, represented by LEOPOLD MOSS, a hard-money Democrat, who is now most unpopular with his National and Greenback constituents, and the First Connecticut, which through the influence of WILLIAM H. BARNUM's money was carried for the Democratic nominee. Even the Democratic Congressional Committee admits that all these districts are "close and doubtful." They will be neither, if the Republicans set to work in time and make proper efforts to carry them.

TWO MYSTERIOUS GIRLS.

A striking phase of City life is brought out in the case of the two girls who are supposed to be wandering sisters, and whose identity cannot be established. It seems strange, even pitiful, that on the surface of human life in New-York should appear these two waifs whose antecedents cannot be ascertained, and who are, to all intents and purposes, as destitute of home and family ties as the birds of the air. About two weeks since, one of these two girls, calling herself LILLIE AUBREY, was found in Washington Park, bitterly weeping. Accosted by a sympathetic policeman, she gave her name and said that she was from a small town in Colorado, and that, accompanied by her sister MINNIE, she had come to New-York in search of employment. Her parents, she said, were dead, and she and her sister had spent their slender savings in reaching the great City. Once here, they thought it would be easy to secure remunerative employment and some share of the fascinating pleasures of the Metropolis. They had been disappointed; and now, to crown her sorrows, LILLIE's sister had disappeared. Taking with her the light satchel which contained all their worldly possessions, she had gone in search of work. She did not return; whereupon LILLIE sat down upon a bench in Washington-square and wept. Here the sympathetic policeman found her and the story begins.

Taken to the Home for Friendless Girls, the forlorn girl told her tale to the Matron, and two young men began a search for the missing MINNIE. They found a girl answering to her description sauntering up and down the streets near the City Hall Park, admiring the brave show in the shop-windows and, with true rural curiosity, drinking in the novelty about her. One of the young men, without difficulty, entered into conversation with her, and she readily agreed to meet him on a neighboring street corner at 11 o'clock that night. When the hour came, the Colorado girl was brought to the rendezvous in a carriage, in company with the Matron of the asylum. The other girl, who should be MINNIE, soon made her appearance, was met by the young man, who had also kept his appointment, and was immediately recognized by LILLIE AUBREY as her missing sister. Taken to the carriage door, the should-be MINNIE denied any knowledge of LILLIE. The girl who should have been MINNIE declared that she never saw LILLIE before in her life, and haughtily declined to have anything to do with her. Moreover, she said that her name was IDA CRATOR, that she was living in Brooklyn, that she came here from Buffalo, and that she was a governess by profession. The other girl insisted that the so-called IDA was her sister MINNIE, and she appealed to a scar which should be on her forehead for identification. There was no scar, and both girls were taken to the station-house by the Police.

There have been one or two cross-questionings of these two waifs since their detention. It is by no means certain that LILLIE was ever in Colorado. Her knowledge of the town in which she claims to have lived is very imperfect; and her answers to various queries were just what might have been given by an impostor. But, if she did not come from Colorado, where did she come from, and why should she lie about it? Her appearance in the City, emerging all at once into public view with any tangible relations or antecedents, is suspicious, to say the least. Her story of her childhood and girlhood in Colorado, her journey hither, and her subsequent adventures up to the time of her discovery, rests wholly on her unsupported evidence. Undine, thrown up the freest at the German fisherman's door, was not more apparently a child of the wind and the wave than this weeping maid, who, two years ago, elected by a

why should the reputed MINNIE, otherwise IDA, disown her presumptive sister? Even LILLIE, in one of the numerous cross-examinations to which she has been subjected, denied that IDA, otherwise MINNIE, was her sister. But she subsequently took that back, and explained that "by a look" the other girl had compelled her to lie. With truly feminine recklessness, she admitted that she had not told the truth, had lied under compulsion, but was now truthfully testifying to her own and sister's identity. The so-called IDA, cross-examined by the Justice, who said that he, too, had lived in Buffalo, soon showed that she knew nothing of that city, and could not say just where her father, JOHN CRATOR, lived. Nor does her "cousin," also said to be CRATOR, of Brooklyn, appear to verify her statements. Altogether, the case presents many insoluble difficulties, and the further inquiries are pushed, the more mysterious it becomes. When LILLIE AUBREY, so-called, was first discovered, her story about a lost sister was discredited. But the presumptive sister is found; she disowns the claimant, and denies even acquaintance with her.

We are wont to say that the world is small, and that, sooner or later, we meet everybody we ever knew. The Police, whose traditional detective skill continually shadows everybody who is wanted, are supposed to take up the slenderest thread of identity and weave from it the web of a whole life-history. They are baffled here by two unsophisticated girls whom nobody knows, and who came from space, or dropped from the clouds, for all that anybody can tell. Of course, there is no money in this mystery, or there would be more vigilance. But, really, there is small occasion, except on humanitarian grounds, for the interference of the Police. In a vague and general way, justice is asked to aid the so-called LILLIE in her search for her alleged sister. The search has only deepened one of the curious mysteries of City life.

THE FOOT PROBLEM.

Among the immediate consequences of the fall of ADAM was the introduction of boots and shoes. This is evident from a variety of considerations. If Paradise were really Paradise, the torments of new-shoes must have been unknown. Innocence knows no boots, and bliss is barefooted. Why is it that there is nothing which delights an innocent child so much as to go barefooted? It is not merely—as careless thinkers imagine—because shoes are uncomfortable, but because the childish heart, being as yet comparatively pure and uncorrupted, revolts against the artificiality of shoes.

Unfortunately, the earth is not in a condition to permit of universal barefootedness. Since the fall it has brought forth, not only thorns and briars, but rusty nails, glass, tin clippings, and sharp stones. None of these things were found in the Garden of Eden, but at the present time the quantity of them is so great that they form a geological stratum resting upon, and distinct from, what is properly called the alluvium. The small-boy, in accordance with the mysterious law that protects him from breaking his neck four times a day, is gifted with remarkable immunity from wounds when in a barefooted state, but as soon as he grows out of small-boyhood he finds shoes an absolute necessity.

It would be impossible to form any accurate estimate of the enormous amount of human suffering that has been caused by boots and shoes. It is true that no man in his senses wears tight shoes, but even the loosest shoe, when new, is stiff and uncomfortable. To break in a new pair of shoes is something which every man dreads only less than he dreads the annual visit to the dentist. Occasionally the experiment is tried of hiring another man to perform this painful task, but it never succeeds. Either the other man possesses feet built on a unique model, and thereby stretches the shoes intrusted to him into unimaginable shapes, or else, having become attached to them, he forgets to return them. As for those people who designedly wear tight shoes, their miseries are unspeakable. The pinched foot knoweth its own bitterness. It clamorously demands the whole attention of its owner, and renders him deaf to the voice of reason or affection. How many sermons have been wasted because they fell among the tight boots of a fashionable audience, and were thereby choked and trodden under foot! How many vows of love have been heard with coldness and even with manifest irritation, simply because the fair object to which they were addressed was writhing with the pain inflicted by the geographical error of forcing a Chicago foot into a New-York boot! Probably, one half of all the ill-temper and profanity which disgrace our daily life is due to boots and shoes, and could they be forever laid aside, the source of human misery would be proportionately reduced.

There is an eminent chemist residing in London who was once requested to invent some preparation which would render horses' hoofs sufficiently tough to bear the wear and tear of pavements without the protection of iron shoes. For some reason he declined to undertake the task, but the matter did not pass out of his mind. He was well aware that men suffer from wearing shoes, and he held the opinion—which was formerly quite general—that men are of more consequence than horses. Gradually he perceived that, the hoof being so hardened as to be impenetrable by nails or glass, and insensible to the inequalities of rough stones, shoes would be no longer necessary. The more he thought of the matter the more humiliating did it appear to him that man should be the only animal who finds shoes a necessity. The soles of the feet of all other animals are hard enough to resist the ordinary attacks of glass and other unpleasant substances, and the sole of man ought to be equally serviceable. The chemist felt that to try to remedy this mistake of nature with the aid of shoes was unscientific. What is really needed, he said to himself, is some method of rendering the human foot at least as tough as ordinary sole leather.

Upon this he fell to, and soon invented a lotion which, when applied frequently and persistently to the skin, had the effect of rendering it one of the toughest substances known. He soaked the right foot of a boy, borrowed for the purpose from the nearest work-house, in the lotion, and, after it had become thoroughly hard, caused the boy to walk over a path strewn with

broken bottles and sharp sticks. The boy felt no pain in his right foot and not a single scratch or indentation could be afterward found in its sole. The other foot, on the contrary, was cut and pained in seventy-six distinct places. The boy was then placed on his back on a large packing-box and was instructed to hold his feet alternately in the air while the chemist fired at them. The bullet fired from a large pistol rebounded from the sole of the toughened foot without injuring it in the slightest degree. A charge of buckshot proved similarly innocuous, and a rifle ball fired from a regulation army rifle merely clipped off the extreme edge of one toe. The other foot was then fired at with buckshot, but was, unfortunately, entirely shot away at the first trial, so that the pistol and the rifle could not be used. However, the experiment was conclusive, and proved that feet hardened by the chemist's process are far more tough than any shoe that can be made—unless it is made of thick plates of metal.

This is a grand discovery. It should carry hope and joy to millions of wearied feet. The day is coming when we shall throw away our boots and shoes—including even our india-rubber overshoes—and with naked, hardened feet defy alike the snows of Winter and the broken bottles of Summer. No more shall we groan under the pressure of tight shoes and the heat of new boots. And, should the chemist's lotion be applied to other parts of the human frame, we may be able to dispense with hats, and at the same time to render our hardened scalps invulnerable by bullets and able to bear without inconvenience the heaviest club wielded by the most zealous policeman.

Princess THERA, of Denmark, like the Duchess of Edinburgh, has not inherited the beauty of her parents, falling as far short of Princess Dagmar, the daughter of her father, the Prince of Wales, but in intellectual gifts she is fully a match for either. She is a great favorite with her father, and wished to accompany him on his visit to Iceland at the "Millennial Festival" of 1874, but the length and storminess of the voyage proved a sufficient objection. Curiously enough, both she and her father, who is a great admirer of the Danish Emperor, have been named by the Emperor of Russia, who has a momentous effect upon the politics of Europe—bear names with which Danish history may be said to commence. One of the earliest Danish Queens was a Scandinavian Princess named "Daybreak" (Dagmar), who signified her wedding with the King of Denmark by abolishing the obnoxious "plov tax," and obtaining the release of all the prisoners confined in the royal dungeon of Oringsborg. Princess THERA's namesake was a widowed Queen of the eleventh century, who, flying from her home in Denmark to escape from the unrelenting sutor pressed upon her by her brother, took refuge at the court of OLAF TRYGVASON, King of Norway. OLAF, with his usual heading generosity, married her on the spot, and avenged her wrongs by marrying Denmark with fire and sword. The Prince Imperial's betrothal ought to bring him good fortune, if there be any truth in an old rhyme which says: "When the Dane shall mate with a Danish king, The crown on his head comes more easily" (haug).

JOSEPH NICOPHORE NICPHE is by no means a familiar name. Few persons will know for what it has any claim to distinction, while that of DAUGERRE is as familiar as household words, and suggests its significance at once. But NICPHE is beyond doubt the greatest discoverer of the process of fixing upon a material surface images of objects produced by the sun through the medium of the camera. Out of this discovery, perfected and made known to the world by DAUGERRE and others after NICPHE's death, in 1839, have grown all the marvels of photography and heliography. At this late day it is proposed to raise a monument to NICPHE, an inventor of photography as at his native place, Chalons-sur-Saône, and headed by the Mayor of the town. The English of the appeal, as it comes to us, is very unimpressive, and is not at all convincing. "NICOPHORE NICPHE underwent fully the ill-luck which modesty and disinterestedness make the man of genius liable to; he never ceased being unknown till the seventh year after the end of his laborious life; and, again, owing to a public mistake, his work at first procured to his memory nothing better than an ignominious mention; when, at length, his biography made its appearance on the stage, the shade of its true contriver was driven away into the darkness of the background, so that History found greatly hard to bring him to the broad lights of the procession and restore to him the whole desert of his prodigious discovery. And withal, this tardy recognition has been insufficient to render NICPHE as entitled as he deserves to be, to the honors of posterity, and his name has been so far from the bounds of a strait circle; his name, known and venerated in the learned world, is far from enjoying the resplendent popularity which glory confers on it."

It can scarcely have escaped the attention of newspaper readers that men who have committed murder under the most atrocious circumstances, and who have generally abandoned lives, are very apt to express on the scaffold perfect faith in divine forgiveness, and in a blessed immortality. As a rule, they are not content merely to hope for some heavenly reward, but they have received it; faint the declared-to-be fact in the face of the community, and rather commiserate the ungenerous condition of the non-criminal people who have been so unfortunate as never to kill anybody. The thing occurs so uniformly that one might infer that the direct road to Heaven is through the murderer's cell; that eternal bliss is found only at the end of the hangman's cord; that the shedding of innocent blood washes away the sins of homicidal humanity. We should not like to undertake the solution of any theological problems, but it seems very strange that a cold-blooded murderer should, even in his own eyes, have so much better chances of salvation than a man who is only accidentally guilty of the purest and noblest of men have not been capable of dismissing all doubt as to the Great Future; but your common cut-throat, your vulgar assassin, gives us to understand, a few minutes before the drop falls, that he has been taken to special favor of the Almighty, and has received a thrice-fold by lightning express to celestial abodes.

The French have taken Lord Beaconsfield's coup d'état with a degree of forbearance which speaks well for the relations between England and France. At first some jealousy and ill-humor seemed mingled with their surprise. The Temps, however, goes so far as to say that "the emotion which took hold of the public mind on first learning what had been done was indulged in without sufficient reflection, and finds its origin in a remnant of the old leaven of jealousy against England, and the painful sentiment of great things being done in the world without our having weight or share in them." The *Débat* says: "The policy of England now explains itself very clearly, and those incidents which were obscure are so no longer. The end which Lord Beaconsfield had in view is attained. With regard to the methods he has pursued to attain it, we must leave him the responsibility before history. We should have preferred a franker policy, clearer, more above board. But it appears that such policy is out of fashion, and it must be allowed that it is not England which has made it so." It is not unlikely that the extraordinary trouble taken by the Prince of Wales in connection with the Paris Exposition was prompted by a hint from the Prime Minister as to the importance of keeping the French in the highest good humor toward England at so critical a political juncture.

BYRON's only child married the Earl of Lovelace, descendant of Lord Chancellor King, JOHN LOVELACE, and had two sons and one daughter. Lady LOVELACE had every right to be peevish, and was so. Her eldest son, too, was perfectly and most innocently eccentric. While

at Bonn College he swayed a carriage, presented a pistol, and rolled some lead, and committed diverse other strange deeds, and at length, having utterly exhausted the patience of his father, became a workman in Scott Russell's ship-building yard, on the Thames, where, at the time of his death, he was on the eve of marriage to a carpenter's daughter. He had some good points about him, notwithstanding his strangeness, and might perhaps ultimately have developed into a useful man; but this was not to be. He was succeeded by his brother, who inherited at his maternal grandmother's death, her Barony of Wentworth, with a seat in the House of Lords. A few years ago Lord WENTWORTH, who, in current phrase, "doesn't amount to much," married the daughter of Rev. GEORGE HERIOT. His wife was for a season or two the reigning beauty of the day. But the marriage did not prove happy, and about two years ago Lord WENTWORTH instituted a suit for divorce, but subsequently withdrew it. Lady WENTWORTH died lately, aged 24, leaving an only daughter.

Not infrequently one hears some Southerner of the old school lamenting the departure of the glorious days that preceded the extinction of slavery. The decline of the duello and the fading away of chivalry, as understood the other side of Mason and Dixon's line, are commonly among his most prolific sources of regret. One of the most able writers of the South, the Southern Import, was a Vicksburg (Miss.) Sentinel, which, in the new order of things that succeeded the breaking out of the civil war, could not exist. Established as a daily in January, 1836, it entered at once upon a martial and murderous career that gave it wide reputation. Dr. JAMES HAYES was one of its first editors to make his (bullet) mark. He was small, and, in ordinary intercourse, gentle, but in the presence of a foe, but the forest of fire-arms when aroused. He fought two or three duels with editors of the Vicksburg *Whig*, the rival sheet; was once wounded, and twice wounded his adversary. He had a number of duels and encounters, he ceased to carry weapons, and was finally killed by DAVID W. HICKER, a fellow who had never seen before, and who sat on the Corner's inquest that he had shot him in consequence of an article in the *Sentinel* reflecting on his father, Judge GEORGE ADAMS of Jackson. Another editor of the gunpowder journal, THOMAS E. BORDEN, in a duel, seriously wounded the great James M. DOWNS, the trouble growing out of newspaper controversy. Another editor, HENRY B. JENKINS, was shot through the heart by H. A. CHAMBER in a street altercation. F. C. JONES took the place of HICKER, but was killed by J. E. HASKIN, of the *Whig*. WALTER HICKER, another editor of the sanguinary sheet, was repeatedly wounded in maintaining the reputation of his paper, and was eventually slain in a hand to hand combat. JOHN JENKINS was shot through the heart by H. A. CHAMBER in a street altercation. F. C. JONES took the place of HICKER, but was killed by J. E. 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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day in the Middle Atlantic States, partly cloudy weather, occasional rains, warm south-west, veering to colder north-west winds, rising barometer.

Mr. Representative BLACKBURN, of Kentucky, seems to have great confidence in the situation. He announces the inevitable election of Mr. THURMAN as President in 1880, prophesies the speedy disappearance of the Nationals, and is quite content with everything that Mr. HAYES has done or is likely to do. Mr. BLACKBURN does not seem conscious of the ridiculous light in which his comments place the leaders of his party. If there is nothing in the National movement, it is surely cowardly and silly in the Democrats to be doing all in their power to anticipate it. From present indications, if the Nationalists disappear, it will only be because the Democrats will have adopted all their ideas and left them no excuse for separate organization. In the same way, if Mr. HAYES has done everything which the Democrats could ask of him, the party leaders must be very hard put to it for capital when they are making the whole Congressional campaign turn on his proposed impeachment. As for Mr. THURMAN, his friends would do well not to count their chickens too soon. The Ohio Senator is at once too good and too poor a candidate for the Democracy. He cannot represent its wild notions without the basest betrayal of his own convictions, and he is too weak and too ambitious to lead his party up to higher positions.

The Kentucky prophet is, however, correct in one thing, and that is the importance as it attaches to the next campaign. If his party, after having made the outrageous concessions that they have made to the dangerous doctrines of the Nationals, can still get a majority in the popular branch of Congress, it will, indeed, be up-hill work to prevent their complete capture of the Government. We should not despair even then, it is true; that would be equivalent to despairing of the Republic; but it would be plain that the country was largely given over to almost fatal illusions. If, on the other hand, the Republicans have the courage of their convictions, if they take as bold a stand for sound doctrine as the Democrats have taken for the unsound, and fight their very strongest fight, without regard to personal ambitions or grievances, there is every reason to hope that they could rescue the Government from the peril which threatens it.

Our readers will learn with satisfaction that the dispute as to jurisdiction which has arisen between the State of South Carolina and the National Government, is to be brought speedily before the United States Court. The Circuit Court will sit to hear the case about the 1st of September, and Mr. Chief-Justice WATTS will attend. This is the least that could be done under the circumstances, and it has not been determined on a moment too soon, as will be seen by our dispatch recounting the recent action of the local authorities in Mississippi in arresting a Federal agent employed in defending the property of the Government against the timber-thieves of that State. There is nothing in the recent history of Mississippi, unfortunately, which should give its authorities the impression that the United States Government ought to be respected, or that its rights will be enforced. But possibly if the law can be reasserted by the Supreme Court, the Executive may find means to make it respected. Even a distinct determination of the law is something gained, and in these days the lovers of the Union must be content with small things and hope for greater.

A brief dispatch from Paris indicates the adoption of a project of a treaty between France and the United States by the conference which met on the 7th. The terms of the proposition approved are vaguely given, but embrace concessions on both sides. We fear that if this ends the work of the conference, it will be found to have been rather premature. The only essential advantage to be derived from the meeting is in careful examination of the commercial relations of the two countries, a free and practical discussion

of the interests of the classes represented in the conference, and the exchange of practical information. The hopes of a proper treaty depend, not on the formal assent of the members of the conference, but on their active and intelligent advocacy of the measure. We venture to trust that the affair has not passed away with the passage of cut-and-dried resolutions, as to which the gentlemen were not particularly informed, and therefore not capable of informing others.

The Porte has ordered her Bosnian vessels to make no resistance to the Austrian occupation, somewhat like Scott's Highlander announcing that the Laird had given orders that the burning castle should not blow up till 12 the next day. Austria's threat of a drum-head court-martial to every insurgent, taken red-handed will probably be much more convincing, but her mobilization of fresh forces comes none too soon. The sudden disappearance of the Rhodope insurgents coincides too exactly with the outbreak in Bosnia to leave any doubt whether the former have gone; and, although Russia is too weary, and Italy too half-hearted, to aid the movement, as they would undoubtedly have done two or three years ago, there are a sufficient number of Circassians, Bashi-Bazouks, Koords, Albanians, and other cut-throats, thrown out of work by the close of the war, to furnish the flame with abundant fuel. Explosions seem to be the fashion in the East at present, for the destruction of the Russian magazine at Fratestik has been supplemented by the conflagration of Kars, occasioned, it is said, by the explosion of a mine. The Servians are concentrating troops along the Valley of the Drina, and a current report states that two Russian Army Corps are being assembled in Bulgaria.

THE BANK-NOTE AND GREENBACK.

One point in regard to which, so far as heard from this year, the Democrats have no hesitation in accepting the ground occupied by the Greenbackers, is the desirability of abolishing the national banks and substituting Government notes for their issues. This is, perhaps, the most important of the subordinate questions involved in the general currency problem. While it does not directly affect the principle of redemption or the maintenance of specie payments, it has a bearing of no small importance on its practical operation. To double the volume of greenbacks by a withdrawal of the bank-notes would be to increase in a like proportion the task of the Government in maintaining redemption, necessitate the accumulation of a much larger fund of coin by the Treasury, and make more difficult, and probably more remote, the actual accomplishment of specie payments in any genuine sense of the term. On the other hand, it will be generally admitted that the banks are able and willing to take care of themselves and fulfill all their obligations on a coin basis if the Government will simply look out properly for its own notes. But a matter of still greater consequence is the evident purpose, in this movement against the banking system, to have the notes of the Government established as a perpetual legal tender and a permanent form of currency, resting only on the credit of the nation, without specific security for conversion or definite obligation to make final payment. There is at the bottom of the question a radical difference of principle between advocates of a Government paper currency of this kind and the defenders of the national bank system. The former regard it as a proper function of the Government not only to coin money, which is in reality only an official certification of the weight and fineness of certain pieces of metal, but to provide whatever paper currency may be required by the people, the use of which as a legal tender for the payment of debts it has a constitutional power to enforce by law. The latter consider money as the creature of commerce, the only purpose of coinage by public authority being to secure a certain uniformity and purity in the coins and prevent debasement and counterfeiting, while the issue of paper representatives of money is merely an extended use of credit for commercial convenience, which should be made only by commerce and kept under the operation of its laws. Government notes are a form of debt, incurred for a justifiable purpose, but to be gradually paid and withdrawn, leaving the field for the creation and use of money and of credit in the transaction of business free to private enterprise and sagacity.

What the Greenbackers and the Democrats clamor for is a currency consisting merely of the Government's promises, without any definite obligation to pay, or any security for conversion with coin on demand. The opposition to the national banks is expressed chiefly in vague denunciations of monopolists and money-lenders, and the assertion that they make undue profits from the privileges of circulation, which might be saved to the people if the Government furnished the currency. A statement read before the Bankers' Convention, now in session at Saratoga, shows clearly how little ground there is for this insane cry. The bank corporations, as the business is now distributed, are comparatively small associations, and the heavy stockholders are very few. The shares are, for the most part, held by people of moderate means, who wish to put what they have into an investment which will insure them a fair annuity. More is paid out in taxes than is received in interest on the Government bonds pledged as security for circulating notes, and the profits of the business are not, and in the nature of things cannot be, in excess of those obtained by the equally prudent use of a like amount of capital in any other way. With banking free to all owners of capital, and shares in the association open to all purchasers who have money to invest, competition very speedily equalizes the profits to those that could be obtained by any other employment of capital and of skill in the conduct of business.

Among the shallow criticisms which are constantly reaching us, is one to the effect that the Government lends the notes, or the money, as it is usually expressed, to the banks, whereas there is no more reason why it should furnish them with funds to make a profit from than anybody else. This would be too silly for notice were it not for the fact that so many people have vague and confused ideas as to what the bank-notes are. Of course, the Government

furnishes no money and lends no notes to banking associations. It merely prints the blanks for the notes for the sake of securing uniformity and being able to prevent counterfeiting, and the slight expense of this process is reimbursed by the 1 per cent. tax on circulation. These blanks become notes only when they are signed and issued by the officers of the bank receiving them, and then they rest on the credit of the institution, and are made good by its resources. The bank is bound to redeem them, and though in case of its failure to do so the Government takes them up, it holds assets of the bank for the purpose in the shape of bonds deposited with the Treasury before the notes are furnished. Again, it is urged that the public pays for getting the notes into circulation in the discount on bank loans, which would be avoided by a direct issue by the Government. We have seen this expense reckoned up to enormous figures. But it must be remembered that the notes, when issued, represent actual capital embarked in the banking business, and are backed by assets. The bank loans its own credit, which it has been obliged to secure in the simplest manner. There is no charge paid by the public in its borrowing capacity, which would not fall upon it if the loans were made in any other form. It is impossible to trace in the legitimate discount of banks any expense to be credited to the people as an item of cost in maintaining the bank circulation.

The errors and misconceptions on this subject are innumerable. When they are cleared away, most of the objections urged against the national bank system disappear. The opposition is in fact only a disguise to cover the real design of its promoters, which is to put another obstacle in the way of a return to specie payments. With the banks in existence the process is comparatively easy, and promises to be permanent, provided the Government is held to the policy of redeeming its notes. They present the ground ready prepared on which to maintain resumption, and while the system is retained there would be a fair prospect of ultimately getting the Government out of the field. That the Greenbackers are sharp enough to see, and hence this crusade, which is purely a movement in the interest of irredeemable paper, and in accepting it the Democrats must accept it as such.

DENOUNCING THE COMMITTEE.

A meeting has been called to assemble in Brooklyn to-night for the purpose of denouncing Mr. HEWITT's Labor Committee. Of course, when this convention shall find voice, we shall learn why the Hewitt Committee should be denounced. Up to this date the committee have held open sessions, at which many representative laboring men have been freely received. Although some of those who have testified as experts, so to speak, have given utterance to the baldest nonsense, and though others have aired their visionary ideas concerning irrelevant matters, they have been listened to with patience and exemplary forbearance. Some of those who have appeared before the committee have made valuable suggestions; and, in the midst of the rubbish and crudities of the testimony, the committee will undoubtedly find many grains of solid truth. But if the mass of matter collected by this committee shall, on the whole, prove to be worthless, the fault must be with the men who have appeared before it, not with the members of the committee. These Congressmen were detailed for a special duty. Every man who, as a laborer or producer, has a grievance, or who has a cure for any of the ills of which his comrades complain, is urged to go into the committee-room and state his grievance or describe his panacea. We believe that the Chairman and his colleagues are honestly trying to find out what the laboring men want, and how to meet their wants—if that be possible. We are bound to say that Mr. HEWITT has shown, in his conduct of the investigation, an acquaintance with the subject, and with the facts and figures thereto appertaining, which entitles him to respect. And it may be added that he and his colleagues have discharged their duties with tact and patience. Yet, Mr. JUSTUS SCHWAB wants the committee denounced, and he sent to DENIS KEARNEY to come on and assist at the denunciation.

The fault is not in the committee, but in the incoherency of "the cause." SCHWAB and his confrères are intelligent enough to see that the general outcome of those who have thus formally and officially given voice to the demands of the working men is not calculated to command the respect of sensible and thoughtful people. It is impossible not to sympathize with men in distress, although the measures of relief which they propose may be as unreasonable as a child's cry for the moon. While all good citizens deplore the prevailing, but exaggerated, depression in trade and industry, it must be confessed that many of the noisiest complaints are baseless, and that the remedies suggested by the complainants are not only impracticable but mischievous. Leaving out some of the more absurd propositions offered to the Hewitt committee, as well as some of the least dubious ones, we may strike a general average in the following which have been made in good faith: Abolish capitalists, banks, interest, private ownership in land, patent laws, Customs duties, laws for the collection of bills of credit, and private ownership of machinery; centralize the Government, abolish the House of Representatives, make the Government defend every client in the civil courts, have the Government build a great fleet of war vessels; establish savings banks, and lend money without interest; prohibit the accumulation of large properties, levy a direct tax; create labor bureaus, a department of industry, and Governmental co-operative societies; call in Government bonds and national bank-notes, and issue unlimited absolute paper money; regulate the hours and compensation of labor by national authority, enact universal suffrage for men, women, and aliens, prohibit the doing of any public work by contract, have all machinery run under Governmental supervision for the public benefit, prohibit Chinese immigration, submit all laws to the people for approval or rejection, furnish work for the unemployed upon national enterprises, and lodge the ownership and control of all railroads, telegraph lines, and shores therewith

connected, in the hands of the Government. Every one of these so-called remedies has been proposed, in all gravity, to the gentlemen who have listened to the complaints and recommendations of those who have appeared before them, with the understanding that legislation may be recommended by them in their report to Congress. A cool-blooded man, about thirty years ago, seeing the vastness of the ill which African slavery had entailed upon the Republic, suggested that the entire "race of slaves" should be purchased from their owners, paid for by the National Government, and summarily put to death. Since the day of that enthusiastic abolitionist, we do not recollect any equally sweeping reform until Mr. HEWITT's committee began to receive voluntary advice from the people. We make no mention of the man who declares that every one of the million inhabitants of New-York should own a garden-spot on Manhattan Island; nor do we cite the case of him who believes that all widows and fatherless children should be maintained at public expense, and that the man whose quickness or skill enables him to earn fifty cents a day more than his duller comrade should be compelled to divide that fifty cents with his less fortunate fellows.

The speeches of KEARNEY and the harangues before the Hewitt committee enable us to find out what the complainants want, how they propose to get it, and in what temper they go about it. The blather-ske who spoke in Faneuil Hall the other night is not above taking other men's money for his maintenance, and other men's words and ideas for his patchwork speeches. In this sense, he is a pestilent humbug; but he has his uses. It is necessary that the badness, the malice, and the mischief in such men should come to the surface. If KEARNEY and his associates have any ideas on the subject of political economy, the more freely they are discussed, the better for society. Let us see what madness, what folly, and what mighty nonsense these people propose for the rectification of the present troubled state of man. With this intent, the Hewitt committee hearings and the speeches of even such ribald fanatics as KEARNEY may serve a useful purpose.

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PROTECTION OF PASSENGERS.

Railroad companies make contracts to carry their passengers from one place to another; and clearly this contract is not performed unless the passenger is carried safe and sound. The companies are under a grave public duty, also, to the same purpose. For they are allowed to lay out their routes through the country, out through farms, tear down buildings, cross high ways, and disturb the peace of the earth generally, in consideration of their undertaking to provide a safe and rapid mode of travel. But this duty is not performed unless people are carried safely. To take a passenger on a train at New-York and deliver him beaten and bruised, or robbed, or out in pieces, at Chicago or Boston, is not a performance either of the contract or of the public duty. Hence the more recent decisions are recognizing very stringently the doctrine that railroads have a duty in protecting their passengers against violence and robbery. Directors are bound to provide reasonable means, and prescribe proper regulations for the safety of passengers; and conductors are bound to make their best efforts in the same direction. This principle applies, also, to steam-boats and sail vessels. In short, all who engage in the business of carrying passengers must carry them safely.

The principle was strikingly illustrated a number of years ago in the trial of HOLMES. He was a seaman on board the ship *William Brown*. She sailed from Liverpool for Philadelphia, and struck an iceberg on the way, and sank; the crew and about half the passengers got into the boats, and began to make what way they could toward land. The boats were soon separated, and the long-boat, in which HOLMES was, struggled alone. But she was leaky, and overloaded, and after a night and a day of most perilous effort to save all on board, the crew, headed by HOLMES, threw overboard several of the passengers as a means of lightening the boat enough to allow of saving some. HOLMES had no particular authority in the ship, he was only a common seaman, but he was of remarkable build and endowments, and his good qualities gave him a prominence among the crew. He was the last man to leave the sinking ship, and the foremost in efforts to save all the passengers, and when this seemed impossible, he was foremost in the act of casting some overboard. The boat, with the crew and residue of passengers, was at length rescued by a passing ship, and brought to port. HOLMES was then put upon trial for manslaughter.

His counsel pleaded in defense that the homicide was necessary; the crew were compelled to cast some overboard that others might be saved. But the Judge charged the jury that such a defense could not be made in behalf of the crew. He said that if two persons who owe no duty to one another cannot both survive, neither commits a crime by saving himself at expense of the other. But this does not apply to persons who have undertaken to carry passengers. They are bound to transport the passengers to the place of destination. The passenger owes no duty to protect the carrier, but the carrier owes the highest duty to save the passenger. And when the ship is wrecked, and passengers and crew are adrift in the boats, the sailors are still bound to undergo whatever hazard is necessary to preserve the passengers. And HOLMES was convicted and sentenced. This was a good while ago; but the doctrine is not old-fashioned or obsolete; on the contrary, the tendency of recent decisions, especially as toward railroad corporations, is to recognize the duty of protecting passengers more and more distinctly.

In a case decided not quite two years ago, in Mississippi, a party of drunken rowdies, passengers on a railroad train, commenced "spancing" a peaceable passenger sitting near them, and at length pulled off his hat and began tossing it about. He applied to the conductor to protect him, and the conductor did begin a remonstrance. But this only excited the rowdies to general assault; the conductor ignominiously ran away into the rear car, and the unfortunate passenger was beaten and injured, though not seriously. He sued the company for damages. The counsel argued that a railroad com-

pany is not bound to protect one passenger against another. But the court decided that this is not so. A company is bound to make wise and efficient arrangements to carry passengers safely, including keeping order among passengers. And if a conductor will not interfere and call brakemen to help him if need be, to protect one passenger from violence or robbery by another, he neglects his duty and renders his company liable. The same doctrine was enforced in a case toward the close of war times, where a quiet, orderly passenger was accidentally shot by a musket dropped by one of a quarrelsome, intoxicated party of soldiers who were traveling along with him. The court said that the railroad company was bound to exercise the utmost vigilance and care in keeping order, and if they took drunken soldiers on board they must make corresponding arrangements to keep them quiet. And there was a case in a Southern court, where merchants sent their clerk on a journey with a large sum of money in charge; he fell into company with gamblers on board a steamboat, and was fleeced of the money, and the merchants were allowed to recover their money against the vessel, for the court said they ought to have made efforts to prevent the gambling. This particular case goes further than can be relied upon as law. But there is no doubt the law enforces great care in the protection of passengers.

MODERN TORTURE.

In the opinion of the intelligent policeman, the true method to be pursued when a crime has been committed is first to assume that a certain person is the criminal, and then search for evidence against him. This method has, in its earlier stages, the merit of great simplicity. It does away with the necessity of procuring evidence against a man before he is arrested. The way to assume is to assume. Any policeman can, with a slight mental effort, assume that any other person has committed a crime, and thereupon arrest him. It is after the arrest has been made that the policeman's trouble begins. He must find or manufacture some little evidence against the prisoner, or else he is ultimately compelled to let him go. Often the collection of this evidence is a difficult matter, and what is imperatively needed is some means of rapidly, easily, and infallibly procuring evidence that will convict every person who is arrested on the assumption that he is a criminal.

The case of Mrs. SMITH, the widow of the murdered New-Jersey policeman, affords a conspicuous illustration of the ease with which a person may be charged with murder, and also of the trouble which the subsequent collection of evidence may entail. When the late Mr. SMITH was found to be murdered, the local Police decided with great promptness that the easiest course to be pursued would be to assume that Mrs. SMITH had murdered him. Accordingly this assumption was made and the woman was arrested. Whether there were grounds for assuming that she was guilty, which would have been recognized by intelligent men, need not be here discussed. In any event it would have been equally obvious to the Police mind that Mrs. SMITH should be assumed to be the murderer. So far the case presented no difficulties, but now comes the necessity of finding evidence against the woman. This is a most difficult and vexatious task, and no one can fail to wish that some simple method of performing it could be employed.

That the Police are sparing no effort to do their duty in this matter is conceded. If with the means now at their disposal it is possible to wring a confession from Mrs. SMITH, they will have it. She is never left for a moment out of the sight and hearing of an officer. All day a policeman sits at the open door of her cell, listening to every word she may utter, watching every motion she may make, and studying with the utmost attention the symptoms of hysteria which she may manifest. At night the devoted officer watches in the cell with her, and with a note-book in his hand, keeps a faithful record of every word she may speak in her sleep. Up to the present time the only remark of real consequence which the watchful officer has overheard was made by the prisoner, when in a fit of hysteria, she exclaimed, "Stab him again!" As the fact that her husband was stabbed could not possibly have occurred to her unless she had stabbed him herself, this remark was a great comfort to the Police, though, unfortunately, it is not of itself sufficient to secure her conviction. Better things are, however, hoped for. "The doctors, who attend her regularly, argue that her nervous system is giving way, and that she will succumb to the strain shortly and make a clean breast of all she knows of the tragedy." It need not be supposed from this that the doctors are co-operating with the Police by giving the woman drugs designed to hasten the breaking down of her nervous system. The method adopted by the Police is quite sufficient to produce this result unaided, and it is only a question of time when Mrs. SMITH's nervous system breaks down under the ingenious espionage to which she is subjected.

Now, although this plan may very likely result in furnishing the Police with the desired evidence, it is slow and tiresome. It is entirely uncertain how long Mrs. SMITH's nervous system may hold out. Women sometimes bear torture with wonderful fortitude. There have been enterprising and persistent husbands who have undertaken to break down their wives, but who have been disgusted to find that months of unremitting effort were required before the woman would finally succumb and either die or become insane. Mrs. SMITH is said to be a delicate woman, and probably her nervous system will break down in the course of a week or two, but it is entirely possible that she may last for a month, to the great weariness and vexation of the attendant policeman.

What this woman really needs is the good old-fashioned rack. It is strange that in a community which finds no fault with the slow torture by which the Jersey Police are trying to break down the woman's nervous system and wring from her a true or imaginary confession of guilt, an obstinate prejudice against the more humane and efficient rack should prevail. It having been assumed that Mrs. SMITH is guilty, and it having been determined to wring a confession from her, it is plain that the quickest way in which this can be accomplished is the most humane way. Were she to be

stretched on the rack at 12 o'clock to-day, and wrenched at intervals of five minutes, each for half an hour, she would either die and fit the Police of all further trouble, or she would confess to any desired extent. There is hardly any possibility that the rack would fail to extort a confession. In the days when it was in general use, an occasional obstinate Scotch Presbyterian would prefer to be pulled in pieces rather than yield to its persuasion, but, as a rule, the rack extorted every kind of confession that the operators happened to wish for. If it is thought desirable to have "COVE" BEXLEY, or a select number of other Jersey-men implicated in the murder of SMITH, the rack, if properly applied, will induce Mrs. SMITH to confess that they were her accomplices. Surely, when a machine so efficient could be employed with such excellent result, it is both stupid and cruel to restrict the Police to their present slow and uncertain method of breaking down the woman's nervous system.

If the increasing prejudice against the rack is too strong to be overcome, there are several other methods of torture, any one of which is preferable to that now in use. There is the Spanish boot, the red-hot pincers, the water torture, the successive pulling out of the finger-nails—all of which have been used with the most satisfactory results by the Spanish Inquisitors and the civil tribunals of earlier centuries. Humane people ought at once to urge that Mrs. SMITH should be subjected to one or more of these admirable tortures. What if she is a friendless woman, whose conduct has given rise to scandal, and who may possibly be guilty of murder. It does not follow that she is to be subjected to a slow and cruel torture, when quicker and better methods are within reach.

If Princess TATIANA, of Denmark, whose engagement to the son of the ex-Emperor ROBERT has been formally announced, ever peace of mind marriage, she can hardly be said to have accepted wisely. The young Louis' whole aim and ambition is, and will be, to re-establish the Empire in France, and ascend the throne, a task which now looks superhuman, and whose attempted performance must involve endless misery and trouble, and in all probability the death of the Emperor. He will irritate his father, who from boyhood to middle age schemed and plotted for the purple, and finally secured it by a great crime. His mother will doubtless spur him on, as HENRIETTE DE BEAUREGARD spurred on her son, allowing him neither rest nor recompense while the goal is unattained. And it can never be reached, he suspects, in his case. He will wear and chafe his weary away following the will o' the-wisp of the Imperial crown. Nothing is more melancholy or more depressing than to toil after and suffer for the unattainable. Prince Louis NAPOLEON is not, from all accounts, strong enough to contend with what he conceives to be his destiny; and he will be nearly certain to be a puppet in the hands of his accomplished and designing mother, and all the leading Imperialists are. There would seem to be years of wistfulness, weariness, and woe in store for Princess TATIANA, generally esteemed and loved as an excellent type of true, fine womanhood. She really deserves a kinder fate than that which is opening to her. She accepts, with her husband, a heavy and painful burden, and which she will carry down and which she may feel assured she will carry and stagger under to no purpose. It seems to be written in the stars that Prince Louis can never be Emperor of the French. He is far less apt to be as NAPOLEON III. than to be as NAPOLEON II., born King of Rome, died Lieutenant-Colonel in the Austrian army. He was born into the wrong family; France is like to die heir to the Kingdom of Eternity.

The grandly shameful success of the plunderers of the Tammany Ring still continues to produce a feeling of disgust and contempt among the people. The telegraph informs us that ex-Mayor BROWN, of Berea, Ohio, has been arrested for complicity with a band of burglars operating in that neighborhood, and that while he held office he encouraged the Town Marshal to make arrests by dividing fees with him. This seems rather bungling, but we suppose no better arrangement could well be made in Berea. If BROWN had been Mayor of New-York some time ago, he would not have been obliged to go beyond City Hall to find any number of burglars. They were official burglars, and robbed as much and as often as they chose without fear of molestation or hindrance. It is a shame that Mayors in Ohio should be put to such straits to get money that does not belong to them, and that they should be obliged to do so in conjunction with their fellow-office-holders, as they used to be. But then they are improving in the West. Forming a league with burglars is a cheering symptom for Mayors; and, in due season, the Mayors of that section may give their personal attention and co-operation to breaking out the thieves of cities, and the thieves of the country, on strict party grounds. It would be political ingratitude to rob the men who had voted for them. We cannot expect provincialists to have the lofty indifference of metropolitanites. In the days of the Ring our officials robbed everybody, without distinction of party, sect, or nationality. They simply looted, and the people were the losers. The Ohio thieves' delay. Still, Berea, for a small interior town, has acquitted herself creditably. To hire a Marshal to arrest anybody and everybody and divide the hire, and also to be a partner with industrious burglars, is a promising sign. Berea, it must be conceded, shows energy in trying to keep abreast of these precious times.

Editors of literary weeklies and monthlies are always saying that the most difficult things for them to set are short stories, and judging by the stories they print one has no cause to doubt their statement. The trouble, we suspect, is less in the writing than in the editing. The editors, when they may have a prejudice against a story the least unconventional, although they know that conventionalism smothered freshness and originality. Editors are very apt to say, "We want something that the average woman will read and like." Men don't read magazine stories, and a story originally treated or varying from the accustomed is not read. The editor's duty is to select the kind of not being moral, for we are often dull, but drum, and untrue to nature. We are so much concerned for ethics that we neglect and underrate art.

That very singular body of persons, commonly known as Shakers—their proper name is the United Society of Believers in Christ's Second Appearing—said to have materially increased since 1870, and to number now nearly 12,000. This is remarkable, inasmuch as, believing and rigidly adhering to celibacy, they can recruit their ranks only by external conversion. They have 18 separate settlements, the best is entirely confined to the United States), which there are 2 in Maine, 2 in New Hampshire, 4 in Massachusetts, 1 in Connecticut, 3 in this State, 4 in Ohio, and 2 in Kentucky. They now believe the kingdom of heaven has been established; that Christ has come upon earth a second time in the form of Mother Ann, (ANN Lee, an Englishwoman, born in Manchester, was taken to the feet, having emigrated thence with a small band of disciples shortly before the Revolutionary War), and that the personal reign of God has been restored. They believe, also, that the new dispensation has begun; that ADAM's sin has been atoned; that man has been delivered from all scores against his own; that the curse has been re-

moved from labor, and that the earth and all its creatures shall be redeemed. This would seem to be a comfortable sort of creed, and they hold it most tenaciously. To their peculiar mind there is no death, merely a change of form, a transmigration, which does not involve any loss of the immortal spirit of the saints. They look for no resurrection; nor have they any faith in Heaven beyond what they call "living in union," which is their present state of existence. Upon entering into relations, they think that they leave behind all earthly relationships and sorrows, just as if they had been separated from them by death. Those who have "passed out of sight," as they phrase it, are still in union; and the Shakers have perfect faith that they dwell in daily communion with spirits of the departed. Indeed, they profess to be more familiar with the dead than with the living. Labor is, in their eyes, man's work—it is sacred—a sacerdotal function, especially when employed upon the soil in adding to its abundance and beauty. Consistently with their faith in the second appearance of Christ in the form of a woman, they believe there is a feminine, as well as a masculine essence in the God-head, a motherhood not less than fatherhood, of Deity, which would seem to be a sort of compromise with the Roman Catholic doctrine. The society is mainly increased by girls and young men; but married couples likewise join it, becoming then as brothers and sisters. They are almost invariably noted for virtue, conscientiousness, health, prosperity, and contentment. They are these people on this continent, if not on the face of the globe, who for more than thirty years have lived together upon the soil in the fundamental principle of community of property.

The Indians, or aboriginals, as they should be called, are much more numerous on this continent than has been represented. Our careless wars with the savages have not proved nearly so destructive to them as the public reports would lead us to believe. Many of the tribes would have been annihilated which are still populous and moderately flourishing. It is said that the strong tribes have generally increased, and the weak ones diminished. An authority on the subject estimates that not more than 8,000 Indians have been killed by the whites since 1789, about 400 having been slain in the domain of the United States; and the same number during the famous Seminole war, which lasted seven years, at an expense of \$30,000,000, making each Indian cost \$75,000—certainly a blunder of political economy, not to regard it in any higher light. According to Government statistics there were, in 1822, 457,000 acres in the domain of the United States; and there are now, in all probability, 250,000, though the number is not commonly thought to be so large by about 100,000. While some of the tribes, like the Omahas, Poncas, Missouris, Pawnees, have dwindled, the Six Nations have not materially changed in centuries, and the Comanches, Crows, Sioux, and Ojibways have steadily multiplied. The annual in which we have treated the Indians with almost as much care as we have shown to the negro, and will soon come to be universally so regarded.

It seems that ROYAL B. COWART, the defaulting Cashier of the Eliot Bank, though indorsed as a man of irreproachable morality, was not too moral to form a connection with a young and pretty, but not immaculate, actress of the variety stage, and to be lavish in his expenditures upon her. His leanings and spendthrift habits were known to many persons, to one of the Directors among others, and he accordingly examined Cowart's irregularities were found, but on promise of better behavior, and relinquishment of his theatrical mistresses, he was forgiven, and kept in his place. The opinion in Boston is that the Directors might have known how COWART was going, if they had had any acquaintance with the ways of the world. But they were no honest and so naturally respectable themselves that they were culpably careless. They had had experience, too, of a warning sort, for their President, or he who was their then President, appropriated \$100,000 only five or six years since, or rather lost it in stock speculations, just as COWART has done. Like the ex-Cashier, the ex-President was a person of acknowledged integrity and the highest degree of honor, which in Boston does not seem to always prevent a man from wholesale stealing.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Boston *Advertiser* is confident that "the renewed crusade against a sound currency, which shall be as advantageous for every class as for any class, will not serve to weaken the determination of the Republican Party in this State to favor the redemption of specie payments at the date already fixed by law."

The *Memphis Appeal*, in declining to print Mr. Marble's letter, says: "As to Mr. Tilden, he needs no defense. But we repeat, his opportunity has passed. As the time for his election draws near, measures have been sprung upon the people, and the names of new men are being lifted as the successors to the leadership in the Democratic Party which he has lost."

According to the *American Protestant*, Butler's "plate" for the Massachusetts campaign will be made up as follows: Benjamin F. Butler for Governor, H. B. Sargent for Lieutenant-Governor, D. N. Shillings for Treasurer, John E. Fitzgerald for Auditor, A. Butler for Attorney-General, J. M. Buffum for Secretary of State. There is also a move among the Butler men to select his friends for Congress in the different districts.

The editorial servant of the Labor-Greenback Party seems to be a dog, as it were. Mr. Shupe, we believe, was not treated with marked consideration at Syracuse, and the Nationals of the Fifteenth Ohio District gave Mr. John T. Stryker, the "working man's friend" and editor of the *Ohio Sentinel* and *The Working Man's Advocate* of Louisville, a single ironical vote. And the worst of it was that a man named Magnus was nominated.

The *Baltimore Gazette* thinks that Frank Jones, of the First New-Hampshire

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RESUMPTION IN SILVER.

There are now in the United States three legal-tender currencies, all equally standards of value, but all differing in price. Resumption means the equality of value, or, price, of all. The Secretary of the Treasury assumes that all are equally to remain in circulation, and that all are to be brought to an equality of value—that the United States notes, at the pleasure of their holders, are to be convertible indifferently into gold or silver, although the value of the metal in the silver dollar is fully 10 per cent. less than that in the gold dollar. The Secretary, in his late conference with the Committee of the Senate on Finance, asserted that "silver dollars will remain at the par of gold till they become so abundant and bulky that people will become tired of carrying them about; but in our country that can be avoided by depositing them for coin certificates." The amount which the people will carry about without tiring will, he told the committee, equal at least \$50,000,000; perhaps \$100,000,000. Such a sum, from the uses to be made of it, will, without effort or action of Government, remain at the par of gold. Any additional sum may be maintained at the par of gold by depositing it in the Treasury—a certificate of deposit of \$1,000 of silver weighing no more, and being just as portable, as a certificate of \$1,000 of gold.

Such is the theory of resumption proposed by the Secretary. "I mean by specie resumption"—we quote from the report of his conference with the Committee of the House on Banking and Currency—"not the payment of all these debts [notes] in coin, but I mean the equivalency of the United States notes with coin." Suppose he attempts to establish such equivalency by paying out indifferently gold and silver for his notes, will not the gold that is paid out disappear from circulation, having, in comparison with silver, a higher bullion than legal-tender value? At the establishment of the Mint, in 1792, gold was undervalued in relation to silver to the extent of about 24 per cent., the relative value of the two as established being as 1 to 15. The actual value of the two metals was very nearly in ratio of 1 to 15.675. The necessary consequence was that gold was exported as bullion as fast as it came from the Mint. In 1834 it was attempted to correct the mistake of 1792 by establishing the relative value of the two metals at 16. Such a relation, as it proved, overvalued silver by about 2 per cent., in consequence of which its coins were exported as bullion as fast as they came from the Mint. In 1853 Mr. Cowan, then Secretary of the Treasury, called the attention of Congress to the inequality in the valuation of the two metals and the injurious consequences resulting therefrom. "So soon," he said in his report to that body, "has the state of the foreign commerce, as is now the case, requires the exportation of specie, it is obvious that our silver coins must be exported while they can be procured, till the demand for exportation be supplied." In response, Congress passed an act reducing the value of the subsidiary silver coins about 6½ per cent., as the means of retaining them in the country. No change was made, at the time, in the value of the silver dollar, for the reason that there were none in circulation, and none, or next to none, were being coined.

In face of all the lessons of experience, which seem to be based on inexorable laws, the Secretary now proposes to maintain gold in circulation, although coined at a value not four tenths per cent. higher than that of silver—the coins of the two having the same legal competency. Can he accomplish such a result? If not, what becomes of his proposition for resumption upon a bi-metallic basis? When silver is coined in amounts sufficiently large to come into general circulation, will not the market price of the coins be regulated by their bullion value? If not, the resumption, under our present Coinage laws, must be on the basis of silver, not gold. If the Secretary pays out his gold, how is he to reclaim it? The people will not pay it to him when they can pay in silver, the value of which is 10 per cent. less. Gold, in comparison with silver, will become wholly superfluous, as it did in part upon the issue of the greenbacks in 1862. These were not legal-tender in the

payment of the revenues. Gold had still to be retained for such purpose. Now it is to have no legal competency that silver does not possess. Resumption, consequently, must be maintained upon the basis of silver alone should the act of last session be allowed to remain on the statute book.

THE SECRET OF ONEIDA.

No political party ever holds a convention without passing a resolution to the effect that it points with pride to something or somebody. To be able to "point with pride" is indispensable to any organization which seeks to enlist popular sympathy. Hitherto the believers in Communism, as the word was understood before the Paris Commune gave it a new meaning, have had but one solitary theory to which they could point with pride. Every experiment in practical Communism has been a ridiculous failure, with the solitary exception of the Oneida Community. That curious body of thirty lunatics has existed for many years, and has steadily grown in numbers and wealth. Apparently, it was a successful demonstration that men and women could live together having all things in common.

To the Oneida Community the earnest Communist has long pointed with pride, and it must, therefore, be a great shock to him to learn that at last, too, is on the brink of failure, and is evidently doomed to speedy dissolution.

The average man has always been unable to comprehend how any human being could be willing to join the Oneida Community. Pious fanatics have hidden themselves in caves and deserts and undergone all sorts of privation and suffering, but their lives seem bright and cheerful in comparison with the lives of the Oneida fanatics. To shut one's self up with coarse, illiterate men, and with women whose natural ugliness is intensified by short hair and unspeakable trousers, to be cut off forever from all that is beautiful, refined, and attractive in life, to listen perpetually to the dull prating of a stupid prophet, and the duller drivel of his ignorant disciples, and to strip one's self not only of property and family, but also of all freedom and individuality, must be infinitely more repugnant to human nature than the severest austerities of monk or hermit.

That peculiar feature of the Oneida discipline delicately called by its founder "complex marriage," was alone sufficient to make the Oneida Community lot infinitely worse than that of the Trappist, whose vow of chastity might even have enabled him to gaze without fear and trembling at the trussed parodies of womanhood who blotted the Oneida landscape. How it was possible for NOYES to induce hundreds of men to enter his sty and to live there year after year, is a problem which the public has been totally unable to solve.

It has been asserted by the Communists themselves that one of the ties that held them together was rat-traps. The prosperity of the community dates, so we are told, from the invention of a steel rat-trap which was manufactured and sold in large quantities. Though the rat-trap business may have brought money into the treasury, it does not seem as if it could have reconciled the Communists to their wretched life. Perhaps there is a soothing and sustaining power in steel rat-traps of which the outside world knows nothing. Possibly the repressed poetry of the Communist expressed itself in traps, and possibly, when cast down in spirits and hopeless of the future, he shut himself up with a gross of traps and calmed himself by their holy and elevating influence. Nevertheless, it requires a great deal of credulity to believe that this was the case, and it is extremely doubtful if rat-traps, whether made of steel or any other material, can ever form a bond strong enough to unite men in a community, or can exercise a strengthening and ennobling influence.

The real secret of the prolonged life of the Oneida Community is obvious to the thoughtful student of human nature, although it has, to a great extent, escaped notice. When NOYES devised his plan of "social criticism" he proved himself a man of unusual cunning. It was the custom of the Communists to hold a weekly meeting for the purpose of abusing one another. This abuse was called "social criticism," and no Communist was permitted to make any answer to it, or to show any signs of anger. For example, Brother Smith being selected for criticism, one Communist would remark that "our brother has an overweening sense of his own merits, which he shows in a way that makes him unpleasant and ridiculous." Another would call Brother Smith's attention to the importance of veracity, and would charge him with a frequent tendency to tell lies. A third would mention that Brother Smith's manners at the table were simply revolting, and that he ought to try to become a gentleman. Perhaps one of the trussed parodies would then tell the miserable brother that, being an excessively ugly man, he ought not to pain the sisters by unnecessary association with them, and another sister would lament that he never knew when he was not wanted, and would intrude his presence upon ladies and gentlemen were talking. All this time Smith was expected to sit in meek silence listening to these disparaging remarks, and pretending that he felt grateful for the interest manifested in him. As a matter of fact, he writhed inwardly and longed for the next meeting, so that he might "get square" with the brothers by criticising them in his turn.

Now here was scandal reduced to a system and made infinitely more effective and delightful than it is elsewhere. The brethren enjoyed the pleasure of publicly abusing Brother Smith to their heart's content, knowing that if he showed any resentment he would be at once cast out of the community. Brother Smith, on the other hand, felt that he could sacrifice everything else in order to have the opportunity to criticize his assailants. As but one person could be criticized at any one meeting, it would take Brother Smith eight or ten weeks to revenge himself on all his enemies, and at the end of that time he was liable to undergo another course of criticism. What was true of Brother Smith was true of every one of his fellow-Communists. No matter how much any one of them might wish to leave the community, he was always determined to stay till he could give each one of his critics as heavy blows as he himself had received. This was the real tie that held the community together. They lived on in order to "get square" with their fellows at

some future meeting for "social criticism." Of course, their criticisms were never ended, and, of course, the community was never ready to dissolve. This was the secret of its long success, and that NOYES should have recognized the fact that he could bind his followers together by the bond of mutual hate, stamps him as a man of real, if perverted, genius.

SOUTHERN NEGROES IN LIBERIA.

The accounts which continue to be received from the colony of South Carolina negroes which emigrated to Liberia—"the Black Republic"—some months ago are entirely satisfactory. Under the system of government which exists there, it seems that the handful of voters who go to make up "the citizens" are exorbitantly taxed to support in insouciant idleness a small army of place-holders. They are also liable to military duty, which frequently brings them into most dangerous places, and all the people are subject to malaria and fevers, which attack fresh arrivals with particular violence, and have already made distressing inroads upon the South Carolina colonists. From private advices which have recently been received, and from the letters of Mr. WILLIAMS, of Charleston, who accompanied the emigrants from the Palmetto State, it appears that in many respects Liberia is indeed the land of promise which it was at first painted, but that there are so many difficulties to be encountered that people even of moderate means and fair intelligence should think twice before they betake themselves to "the new Republic." There seems to be no doubt that the ignorant and, all things considered, thriftless negroes of the cotton States could not do a more foolish thing than leave their old home for the new one, whose advantages are so eloquently dilated upon by interested speculators, who seek for their own profit to encourage emigration.

In short, it can be stated that the Liberian Republic is neither so good nor so bad as it has been represented to be. A living, even a good living, can be made there, but it requires hard work, good management, and careful attention to secure more than a very irregular and unsatisfactory existence. Everybody who goes must expect to be attacked by a dangerous and very often fatal disease known as the emigrants' fever, but the man who can restrain his appetites, live with care, and diet himself prudently, will in all probability get safely through the sickness. After the fever has been gone through with, however, commences the real battle of life. To be successful seems to require great energy and much patience. The experience of those who have "gone through the mill," many of them to their sorrow, shows conclusively that no American, either black or white, and the latter far less than the former, should go to Liberia without a supply of provisions sufficient to last him six months, or until he can raise his own crop. A few simple medicines seem, also, to be necessary, and it is not amiss to take all the bright-colored calicoes, and brass trinkets which can be conveniently carried. Such articles are in great demand among the natives, especially of the interior, and are far more valuable than money in procuring service. People with some means, knowledge of men, and industry can get along reasonably well in Liberia, as they can in almost any other part of the world, but the man who expects to find in "the Black Republic" a Garden of Eden, a place where they have neither to toil nor to spin, may as well make up their minds that they will be sadly disappointed.

Indeed, it is now more than ever apparent to those that have interested themselves in the subject, that their present homes are the best places for the cotton States black men. It seems particularly desirable at this time that the South Carolina blacks should remain where they are. It is true, of course, that under "the reconciliation plan" they are about as far from the ballot-box as they were twenty years ago. It cannot be denied that the promises of political non-interference made by the present State Government have never been kept; in fact, that every pledge regarding the political condition of the freedmen which was made by WADE HAMPTON and his friends has been willfully broken. In spite of these and other serious drawbacks, however, there is no good reason why the black men of South Carolina should not be successful in all their material undertakings which are conducted with care and prosecuted with energy. The new fertilizer recently discovered in the phosphate district makes it possible to grow sugar-fruits, and vegetables of all kinds upon what were heretofore known as "the waste lands" of the coast. This opportunity should not be neglected by those enterprising colored men who may contemplate emigrating to Liberia or to any other country beyond the sea. It is evident that the idle young white men of Charleston, Beaufort, and other places have no idea of properly making use of the new advantages which have been presented to them. The colored people should do what their white neighbors fail to do. By such action they will soon discover that it is far easier to make a living on the sands of Charleston Neck than on the rich lands of "the Black Republic."

SANITY AND INSANITY.

No question would seem harder to settle than the sanity or insanity of our fellows. Most of us have tolerably clear ideas concerning the mental condition of our associates and acquaintances, which we count as sound, so long as their opinions and prejudices agree with ours. When these differ radically from our own, we begin to waver in our judgment, and the more we reflect on the difference, the more inclined we are to believe that it must be the result of some lack of balance. One of the canons of our civilization is that no person whose views are the reverse of ours can possess a well-ordered intellect, since every man makes himself the standard of sanity, and his opinions the measure of wisdom.

When any one of our relatives does or fails to do anything which conflicts with our interest or is demanded by it, we feel morally certain, at any rate we declare, that he is deranged, and we will go any length for evidence to prove it. The second or third marriage of an aged parent who has been prosperous, the dying will and testament of a rich kinsman, disposing of his property otherwise than we would have chosen, our public arraignment for private misconduct or malfeasance in office, any open chicanery by wife or husband of highly unbecoming behavior, are generally regarded or assumed by the sufferers as strong presumptive

testimony of some form of dementia. The question of lunacy for these or kindred causes comes up almost daily, and general opinion is likely to be divided thereon. A large part of the newspapers and lawyers in the land is steadily engaged in discussing the sanity or insanity of any number of individuals who, however sane they may have been originally, are in danger of being made insane by such discussion. The directest way to unbalance the human mind is to set it brooding on itself. He who is incessantly told that he is crack-brained incurs imminent risk of becoming so. Hundreds of persons have no doubt been rendered insane by their treatment as such. The private history of many insane asylums have shown this, and other asylums have many more could their history be written. Our fellow-creatures are like dogs, they are made mad by the suspicion of madness and the persecution arising therefrom.

Sanity and insanity are relative and uncertain terms. Probably no man is absolutely sane, and few men, unless born imbeciles or idiots, are absolutely insane. It is very difficult, well-nigh impossible, to prove any person's complete sanity, and extremely easy, by adroit management or conspiracy, to make the strongest mind appear insane. Eminent barristers have asserted that they can, with time and money, throw the gravest doubt on the intellectual soundness of almost any given man, if not establish his mental and moral irresponsibility. They have demonstrated their capacity any time within twenty years to break iron-bound wills by exhibiting the testator who would partially demoted, and it seems to be understood now that no mortal, be his sagacity what it may, can draw up a will which the ingenious lawyer will not riddle. Insanity—emotional, temperamental, erotic, hereditary, partial monomania, somatic, saturnine, phrenetic, or some other legally-invented kind—has been twisted into a pretext for acquitting criminals and scoundrels of every degree.

According to what is called law, nobody is subject to justice for any iniquity or misdemeanor, provided he can employ clever counsel to insist upon the deplorable condition of his understanding. Lawyers might be defined to be a professional view of the mind, which a lawyer is literally paid to maintain. Not one of us can flatter himself that, living or dead, he is or has been of healthy brain. If he be to the advantage of a lawyer to assert the opposite. Our sanity depends on our ability to keep ourselves and our affairs out of courts. We exist as rational beings by the gracious allowance of the members of the Bar. Our poor brains are veritably in the custody of learned attorneys, who may impair them any day, and who do impair them more or less in proportion to the amount of their fees.

Independent of lawyers, our sanity is very precarious as respects the opinion of our acquaintances and our fellows generally. Judged by the ordinary, and, indeed, the accepted, standard, a man is sane or insane according to the agreement or disagreement with his kind or with those by whom he is immediately surrounded. If any one is judged to be always holding upon an unjust demand, in which he has no voice, and on which he exercises scarcely any influence. Their decision is rendered informally and usually reserved. He suspects that he is intellectually deficient, or thought to be, until the opinion is suddenly hurled at his head, and he is aroused as from a dream to hear that his life of sagacity has really been a life of lunacy. Commonly, the opinion is not delivered, though it is always held by a greater or less number of our associates, who privately pronounce us insane, while we pass the same judgment upon them.

A man of more intellect, wider range of thought, broader culture, deeper insight, than his contemporaries is as much exposed to the charge of insanity as is a man of less intellect, narrower range, and lower intelligence, and is, by the sole means we have of judging, virtually insane. To be insane, as has been said, is to differ from the great mass, so that an extraordinarily fine mind or positive genius may as readily be reckoned at fault as a sluggish understanding or incapacity to reason. The great minds, thus considered, are but inspired lunatics, as torpid minds are lunatics uninspired. Mental soundness or unsoundness is a very delicate question. After all that has been or may be said, what is sanity but the average stupidity of mankind?

THE PRESENT "STREAM OF TENDENCY" IN LITERATURE.

We are living in an excess of criticism. MACAULAY and CARLYLE, not less than JEFFREY and CHRISTOPHER NORTH and LEIGH HUNT, have put us so much in the critical mood in our youth, and the leading journals have so constantly taught us what to admire in current literature, and so contemptuously to reject that the whole tendency among the mass of writers has been to seek the critical audience. This has suppressed individuality, enthusiasm, freshness, and kept everything within the limits of commonplace and conventionality. You can count on your fingers ends the men who have struck out of the beaten path among our native writers. THOREAU, BRIST HART, POE, CHARLES DUDLEY WARNER, JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL, have done something in independent lines, but none of them have done anything really creative work. It is distinctive and individual, rather than instinct with genius and power. RALPH WALDO EMERSON has made, perhaps, the best summary for pure literary criticism, and without which we are driven away from the restraints of Old-World life. WITTIER has touched our scenery with a master's hand in his ballads, and Hawthorne has painted our Puritan life in the sombre hues of his darkened imagination, but it can hardly be said that either BRYANT or LONGFELLOW, much as we have been indebted to them for excellent work, are poets of inspiration as distinguished from poets of culture and sentiment. They have seldom had the irrepressible utterance of SWINBURNE, and they might have written almost equally well in London, in Rome, or in New-York.

The native touch, the smack of the American soil, the lyric outburst of Burns, the deep intuition of Wordsworth, are not present in the over-mastering passion. They are, like MATTHEW ARNOLD, poets of intellectual culture or of the home affections, and a distinct and clear line of demarcation separates all our American writers from the man whose soul is alive with the unquenchable passion of genius. Principal SHAPIRO, in the first of his Oxford lectures on poetry, printed in *Macmillan's Magazine* for July, makes the same complaint for English literature, and thinks that the present tendency is altogether too critical and cultured for the encouragement of writers who are to overlook criticism and march into fame because they have something to say in this world which has not yet been said officially by anybody else. MATTHEW ARNOLD is of the opinion that the point to be aimed at in poetry and in all literature is the work of a better, higher, more world-wide criticism than any we have yet known, and by criticism he means "the disinterested endeavor to learn and propagate the best that is known and thought in the world." But Principal SHAPIRO points out with admirable clearness that in the three great creative epochs in literature which the world has known—the age of PINDAR, the age of SHAKESPEARE, and the period of WOODROW—there has been the bursting energies of the time striking deep into

the sensitive life of an original and creative soul which have given us the greatest and best literary works. Men forget themselves in their time; they went beyond themselves, because they caught up the universal inspiration of the new age into their own quivering souls. And this only brings us around to CARLYLE's old dictum, "the unconscious is alone complete." The trouble with our own time is this general consciousness of what we are doing, and that it takes school and college and years of culture to make what God, in the case of an original genius, puts into a man when he is born. This intellectualness overshadows our American authors more than they are aware. Some are pale reflections of their English contemporaries; others do not dare to take flights of imagination for fear that they will laugh at them, and still others are bowed down by their own enormous learning and the present critical tendency. We have seen Mr. LOWELL, trying to be the funniest man alive, but if he threw his critical faculty to the winds and developed with patient docility the poetical gifts which are unquestionably in him, what limits could be assigned to his possible work? Or, to take another instance, if BART HARTZ had staid on the Pacific Coast and worked faithfully in the vein in which his bright and original ability lies, what might not have come from one who has practically thrown away in ineffectual effort ten precious years in the life of a man of genius?

This tendency to the depression of individuality has been marked in England as in America, but we must give our few original writers ample room and verge enough for the best that they can do, if we are to have a future literature which is above the dead level of culture. The whole country awaits to-day the man of letters who shall put his ideas into formal shape rather by the laws of a creative imagination than by the laws of approved rhetoric. Mr. SHAPIRO says with truth that "by the flashes of uncritical genius the world has gained its finest treasures." It is this uncritical genius that we are looking for. Had the elder DANA been endowed with a temperament as active as it is meditative, he would have stood to-day at the head of American literature, and even as it is, hardly any one has excelled him. Had Mr. Bayard added to his literary, ethical, and political gifts, the enkindling, assimilating, renewing imagination which finds its materials in the broadened and manifold life of our own time, his poetry might have been less classical, but it would have taken a far stronger hold upon the present generation. Whether one writes in prose or poetry is an indifferent matter, but it is of supreme importance that the really great writer shall be "haunted forever by the eternal mind," and shall have the unifying power to take in "not nature only, but all truth and all existence." The great writer, in the field of higher thought, has open to him the same realities which the philosopher or theologian broods over, and will win position to-day not because old romance is further off than yesterday, but because the practical imagination has opened to us new realities, and made both time and eternity mean vastly more than they meant centuries ago. In this higher sense, the present critical tendency is no detriment to the approach of a new literary epoch, but rather the necessary preparation for it. It may not be possible to name any one among our younger writers who is likely to prove himself the coming man, but it is felt by those who have most carefully considered the situation, both in England and in this country, that the time is ripe for a fresh outburst of creative power.

THE PATCHWORK EMPIRE.

That ingenious Irishman, whose recipe for making a cannon was to "take a hole and put iron around it," unconsciously defined to the letter more than one great European monarchy. Poland, Turkey, Austria, have all exhibited the same phenomenon of a massive and imposing front, hiding a deep hollow of internal weakness; and the latter sets in the fate of her two predecessors a prophecy of her own. In reality, her seeming aggression upon Bosnia and Herzegovina is merely the clutch of a drowning man at the first object within reach. Feeling her hold on Central Europe slipping away, she naturally endeavors to strengthen herself in the East, and so counterpoise to her recent acquisitions, which has seized the two provinces of the Upper Danube. But it may well be doubted whether such a remedy will not prove worse than the disease, even should no fresh lives be added to the thousand already sacrificed in ignoble border warfare.

For any State which contains a large proportion of heterogeneous nationalities there are only two ways of solving the problem, viz., by itself possessing a mass of population great enough to balance these discordant adjuncts, or a vitality sufficiently intense to leave one and all with a distinctly national spirit. Russia has succeeded in achieving the one, America that the other. She cannot resist her conqueror in both. The Duchy of Austria is smaller than any of its dependencies, and the arrogant harshness of its rulers has overmastered instead of conciliating their countless foreign subjects, who, having never been molded by the hammer-stroke of conquest, are still as distinctively individual as ever. All Austria's greatness, indeed, is due to the two fortunate marriages and the fraudulent election which, several centuries ago, raised a third-rate Prince to the rank of the first sovereign in Europe. But these vast possessions were, after all, nothing more than an ill-bound bundle of fagots which began to fall to pieces at the first heavy blow from without which jarred upon them. The weakness of the patchwork Empire was proved beyond dispute by the result of the Seven Years' War, when the House of Hapsburg, supported by the whole strength of France, Russia, and the Germanic Confederation, failed to subdue the little Kingdom of Prussia, then making its first struggle upward toward the place which it now holds. Ulm and Austerlitz completed in 1805 what the Peace of Hubertburg began in 1763, and the Austria of our own day is a more bundle of exploded shams—a big army that is always beaten, an omniscient Police that never discovers anything, a Treasury with nothing in it but a deficit, a double Government as clumsy and shapeless as the Siamese Twins, a rabble of petty nationalities barking day and night for privileges which they cannot obtain, and could not use if they did.

Such, then, is Austria's past and present. Her future appears to offer two alternatives, both sufficiently unpalatable, viz., that of partition among her stronger neighbors, or that of gradual absorption by the rising might of Hungary. The former possibility, confidently predicted by a leading Berlin journal six years ago, has undoubtedly had its way made ominously easy by the combination of circumstances. Austria's military prestige is gone never to return. Her own usurpations have established a fatal precedent for dictating similar treatment upon herself. Italy is eyeing her covetously on one side, Russia on the other. The establishment of a two-fold form of government has divided her strength, while, in the absence of any strong nationalizing influence, her Bohemian subjects are just as Bohemian, her Czech and Ruthenian vassals just as Slavonian, as in the days of WENCESLAVUS and MATTHIAS CORVINUS.

From this ignominious doom, however, the second alternative offers a way of escape, which, although the haughty Austrians would formerly have shrunk from it as the worst of all degradations, is now looked upon not merely with resignation, but even with complacency. In truth,

the fusion of Austria with Hungary is more than half accomplished already. The Austrian Empire has already become the Austro-Hungarian monarchy, from which the Hungarian Monarchy there is but a single step. Hungarian and Slavonian Generals command the Armies of Austria, and her Prime Minister, and most trusted representative is a Hungarian noble who was hunted like a wild beast, not many years ago, by the very men who are now bowing at his levee. Within less than thirty years, "annihilated" Hungary has risen to a footing of absolute equality with her former oppressor; and, possessing as she does the very essentials which are wanting to Austria, the power of numbers and that of strong national vitality, it is hardly likely that she will step aside. Old as he is, the veteran Kossovitch lives on in his cherished scheme accomplished. The duplicate form of government which was Austria's compromise with her own anti-Hungarian spirit, must sooner or later be thrown aside as a cumbersome and obsolete make-shift, and Hungary, in all the fullness of her second youth, will bind together, as ivy binds a mouldering wall, the last remnants of the once formidable power of the House of Hapsburg.

WOMAN'S LOVE OF CITIES.

Women, as a rule, who have once lived, or spent any time, in a great city, never live anywhere else without a degree of reluctance. They are urban by nature, and seldom tire of urbanism, however extended their acquaintance with it. Familiarity with the city, instead of breeding contempt, so increases their admiration and fondness for it that they rarely relinquish permanent residence there, unless uncontrollable circumstances compel. The movement, the variety, the bustle, the excitement, the show, the glitter of the capital appeal to and allure woman, year after year, crowding her days with anticipations, and her nights with pleasant dreams. She loves the capital for its own dear sake. Even when she takes no part in its gayeties and glories, she still likes to be near them, and to feel herself in some way associated with them—an innocent little delusion that adds materially to her self-comfort. "Give me the city!" her heart cries. "If there be nothing in it, let me enjoy that nothing in my own fashion!"

Man is quite otherwise. He is attached to commercial and social centers for cause rather than from instinct. He stays in them either from habit or advantage. If he alter his habit, or if his residence cease to be profitable, he does not specially care to continue it. Under wholly favorable conditions, the city is apt to weary him by the simple fact of prolongation. He wants change; he demands diversity. After youth has passed, after the frolic of the blood has gone, after the delightful sting of vanity has been drawn, he is often glad to exchange country for town, quietude for bustle, for his own activity. His feelings age early; satiety comes before the noon of life. He is not averse to monotony and moping; he easily falls a victim to routine, and the smallest departure therefrom worries and wears on him. Unless he succeeds in the city, he underestimates and hates it. He can see nothing good, nothing desirable, in person or place which cannot or does not appreciate him, as he imagines he ought to be appreciated. He desires to go where his opinion of himself may be in some sort reflected, and the small town is more likely than the big town to be gratify this weakness. It is not unnatural for him, therefore, to retire to the country after a number of years, in order to be measured by his fancied standard, and to measure the standard against himself, what he was not and what he did not do when he lived in the city.

From such masculine vanity, egotism, and impatience of everything akin to rivalry, woman is comparatively free. She may, she probably does, regret that the days of her belle époque are no more; she may lament that her luxurious surroundings have faded, that her immediate neighbors are more prosperous than herself, that she is deprived of a thousand things most precious in her eyes. But the past and the unattained seldom render her bitter or melancholy. She loves to live the scenes of her former joys and triumphs, and to picture how becomingly she would have borne a part in the fortune. Her city days are a memory, not a reproach. She can see through the veils of its size, its wealth, its power, its stimulus, its many-aidedness. It touches and incites her in countless ways, not one of which is without its comfort and its pleasantness.

The healthful, cultured, womanly woman, with whom the world has gone well, never loses her taste of the city. It is always sweet and eager to be renewed. The larger the city the better she likes it, the stronger the hold it takes upon her. The village is preferable to the actual country; the small city to the village; the large city to the small city; but the metropolis is best of all. This dazzles, delights, and excites her. She cannot resist her conqueror from its charm, which abides with her forever more. Her passion for it is not bounded by race or nationality. The magnetic needle of her heart steadily points to the leading capital of the country to which she belongs. The German woman hungers for Berlin; the Russian for St. Petersburg; the Austrian for Vienna; the Italian for Rome; the Spanish woman for Madrid; the British woman for London; the French woman for Paris; the American woman for New-York. If she has not been to the metropolis, she expects to go there when she dies as a reward for the self-denial she has practiced, or the suffering she has undergone in staying away. Her pulses throb, her currents run, the whole being beats with the rhythm and cadence of the metropolis, and the absorbed and absorbing capital. There she finds what she craves, and rests in agitated and shifting satisfaction on what she has found, comforted with the thought, turn fortune as it may, that she, at least, is there.

This love of American women for New-York, wild, irrational, unjustified though it often be, is well-nigh universal. Hundreds, thousands of men whose interests or needs bind them there would be glad to go elsewhere; would, should opportunity permit, shake the dust of Manhattan from their feet, and never return. But the woman who would turn their backs for good toward that city of opposites and contrasts, are extremely few. They are the few who hurry to its gates from many quarters of the land, leaving what they could not replace, is beyond calculation. You may point out to women its disadvantages and defects, and they may admit them every one. They cannot tell, perhaps, why they love the motley island—what woman can give any reason for her love? Yet, in answer to each objection, they will say, "But still it is New-York."

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Indianapolis Journal hints that there is a Democratic dark horse in training for the Senatorial race in that State, and says his name is W. H. English, of Indianapolis.

The Nationals of Philadelphia have announced a grand picnic and State ratification meeting at the South Broad-Street Park, on Monday, the 19th inst. Dennis Kearney, Gen. Butler, Col. Wright, and nearly a dozen other leading members of the party are announced as orators for the occasion.

The Maine Greenback Party contains many men who four years ago took part in the Democratic convention which declared "that an inflated and irredeemable paper currency is among the worst evils that can afflict a community. We regard a currency based on specie redemption as the only one upon which the business of the country can be safely

conducted, and hold that we should as rapidly as possible approximate to such a draining medium."

The Colorado Republicans have come into the canvass with a determination to right the wrong accomplished by the parliament of the last House of Representatives in seating Congressman Patterson, and if earnestness counts for anything, the Republican majority of that State will have a representation in the next Congress.

Representative Blackburn, of Kentucky, has been talking to a reporter of the Washington Star. Blackburn is a man for 1850. "The New-York politician," said he, "are making attempts to galvanize Tilden into a candidate, but they cannot succeed. One feature of the Anglo-Saxon race is, that they have no use for a coward." This sanguine gentleman already sees a larger Democratic majority in the next than in the last House, and intimates that members are to be gained in Nevada, California, and Missouri.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.

It is already pretty familiar from the bills that the preliminary season at the Union-Square Theatre will open on Wednesday evening, with Miss Fanny Davenport as *Olivia*, in Mr. W. G. Wells' new four-act dramatic comedy of Goldenrod, *Flower of Wilderfield*, the sole right of which, for America, has been conveyed to her by the author. The piece is to be produced with new scenery designed and painted by Marston, and with new furniture and decorations by Stockley. As heretofore announced, the costumes were designed by Mr. W. H. Wells, under the special superintendence of Miss Davenport herself, who has made a careful study of the play as produced at the Court Theatre, and has in all things aimed to reproduce the *ensemble* here. Considering the season, the cast is not a weak one. Miss Linda Dietz will, no doubt, judging from her previous work, make a fair impersonation of *Scipio*, and Mr. Charles Fisher ought to play *Dr. Primrose*, the red-tailed, but kindly old Vicar, with effectiveness. Mr. C. A. Stevenson appears as *Squire Thornhill*; Miss Eugenie Paul as *Polly Flamborough*, and Mrs. C. W. Poole as *Mrs. Primrose*. It is understood that Mr. Wells has selected only the essential aspects of the play, and that he has produced a drama such as M. Sardou would have produced of the same materials. Rehearsals have been going on every day during the last week, under the personal supervision of Miss Davenport, who grows more and more sanguine of an enthusiastic reception. The incidental music, it should be noted, has been written by Mr. Arthur Sullivan, and will be rendered by a special staff selected in part from the children of the Grace Church choir. On the whole, as "Olivia" is the first event of the season, and New-York has been in a state of dramatic starvation for some months, a full house may be predicted for Wednesday night and some time after.

DRAMATIC AND MUSICAL NOTES.

"Olivia" has passed its hundredth performance at the Court Theatre, London, and is still attracting full houses.

The London *Figaro* says that Mr. Bronson Howard adapted his "Sarastro" from Charles Wyndham's great play of "Brigition" with "Transatlantic Impudence."

Stanley McClean commences his comedy season at the Baltimore Opera-house, under the management of Mr. J. W. Albright, and his company will appear at the Broadway Theatre, in this City, some time in the month of October.

Max Strakosch and wife have been sauntering about Paris for a week or two. The London *Figaro* says it has never heard of a tenor named Rosconi or a basso named Cony, and wants to know if Pauline don't let fall for palatins.

It is not yet settled whether Signor Fancello will come to this country with Mapleson. The London *Figaro* says he is the best tenor voice on the operatic stage, and adds that he ought to come to America to show his vast superiority to Campanini.

Mr. W. H. Crampton, formerly of the Opera-house, of Pittsburgh, Penn., has been engaged as stage manager at the Broadway Theatre. Miss Eliza O'Connor, an actress of considerable popularity in Western cities, has also been permanently added to the staff of artists.

During her engagement at the Fifth Avenue

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Aug. 7—Steam-ship Pommerania, London—American silver coin, (½ and ¼ dollars).....\$10,000 On

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GOVERNMENT STOCKS—11:15 A. M.

UNITED STATES TREASURY.		
NEW YORK, Aug. 19, 1893.		
Coin receipts.	100	\$774,885 24
Coin payments.	100	1,058,478 09
Coin balance.	122	100,000 00
Currency receipts.	100	1,598,542 00
Currency payments.	100	400,642 70
Currency balance.	40	348,000 00

CLOSING QUOTATIONS—AUG. 10.

	Friday.	Saturday.
American Gold.	100	100 1/2
United States 4 1/2s, 1891, coupon.	104 1/2	104 1/2
United States 5s, 1881, coupon.	104 1/2	104 1/2
United States 6 1/2s, 1881, coupon.	104 1/2	104 1/2
Rails on London.	\$4 82 1/2	\$4 83 1/2
New-York Central.	108 1/2	108 1/2
Rock Island.	113 1/2	113 1/2
St. Paul.	106 1/2	106 1/2
Milwaukee and St. Paul.	106 1/2	106 1/2
Milwaukee and St. Paul pref.	67	67 1/2
Chicago and North-western.	67	67 1/2
Chicago and North-western pref.	68	68 1/2
Chicago and North-western pref.	68	68 1/2
Union Pacific.	64 1/2	64 1/2
Delaware, Lackawanna & Western.	52 1/2	52 1/2
New Jersey Central.	52 1/2	52 1/2
Delaware and Hudson Canal.	50 1/2	50 1/2

value of plantation Ceylon Coffee, of which there has been a fair supply, and other descriptions. The two parties, however, are not agreed, although the auctioneers of Friday went off with rather less than the estimate of the importers, and the contract comprises 62,700 bags, against 191,000 bags at the same time last year. Rice continues in good demand; and a fine crop is expected. The market for rubber is now making higher rates. Sales of Saltpetre have been rather small, and the current price is about 10¢ on Wednesday went off without any. Zanzibar Cloves and Cloves of the East were sold at 10¢.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The *Economist* says: "Short loans have been much wanted all the week. The Bank of England only obtained a loan of £1,000,000, and advances to bankers. The rate of discount showed a slight tendency to rise, but the market was not so tight as it has been. The Bank of England has not yet given any hint of an advance of the bank rate on Wednesday brought the open market price to 4¢, where it remains. The rate of discount is 5¢, and the market is favorable, and any danger of an export of gold to America is France is not likely to be a serious drain on the advance in the rate of discount. Exchanges are now, however, much more in our favor than they were a few days since. The market for gold is quiet, and has been the quietest known for a long time. Many members of the market have been closed in consequence of the rise in the rate for money. Political and commercial speculation is not very active in the market. United States Government loans are again in demand, and the market is not so tight as it has been, as much as 1 1/2¢ for the reason that

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United States 44, 1907, coupon.....100% 100%

The Sub-Treasurer disbursed in Gold coin \$80,000 for interest and \$412,000 for called bonds.

The following were the Gold clearings by the National Bank of the State of New York to day:

Currency exchanges.....\$1,691,000
Gold balances.....2,591,177
Currency balances.....3,303,899

The following is the Clearing-house statement today:

Currency exchanges.....\$4,096,094
Currency balances.....2,790,903
Current advances.....570,000
Gold balances.....706,078

The following is the weekly Clearing-house statement:

Currency exchanges.....\$355,692.00
Currency balances.....15,843,570
Current advances.....48,450,000
Gold balances.....6,707,596

The following were the bids for the various State securities:

Ala. S. & M. E. R. 8	N. C. Gen. B. P. A. 4-92	8 1/4
Ala. S. & M. E. Ch. R. 8	N. C. Gen. B. J. & J. 8	8 1/4
Conn. 6s.....106	N. C. Gen. B. A. & O. 8 1/2	8 1/2
Ill. 6s.....106	N. C. Gen. B. A. & O. 8 1/2	8 1/2
Iowa 6s.....106	N. C. Gen. B. A. & O. 8 1/2	8 1/2
Wis. War Loan.....100 3/4 N. C. class 2.....8		

THEIR DEFEAT IN DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENN.
The Nashville (Tenn.) American takes the defeat of the Democrats on the last issue very hard. It says: "The result of yesterday's election was probably as much surprising to the combined supporters of affected Democrats and Republicans as it was to the supporters of the straight Democratic ticket. It was certainly a painful surprise to the latter, who had hoped for a more heroic character of their action. They would insure success before the people saw they were disappointed in this was owing to causes which we have never fully understood. It was enough to know that at least half of the ticket is beaten, and that the effort of the Democracy to secure the administration of the Government for its affairs for the next few years has been thwarted by this." We can only guess that the cause for such, and trust that its effects may not be felt in contests yet to come."

THE RESULT IN WAKE COUNTY, N. C.
The Raleigh (N. C.) News thus alludes to the defeat of several candidates on the Democratic ticket in its own (Wake) county: "This is not as it should be. The Democracy ought to have carried the county, and no doubt would have done so but for the countermand."

N. Y. Cons. 1914 724	Ohio Ga. '81 1892-104	the Senatorial squabble. Democratic friends of
N. Y. Cons. due 1878 100	Ohio Ga. '81 1892-104	Senator Merrimon are reported to have voted for
N. Y. Cons. due 1880 100	South Carolina Ga. 44	Republican candidates to the Legislature, or re-
N. Y. Cons. due 1887 104	S. C. Ga. '81 1892-104	framed from voting on the grounds that they pre-
N. Y. Cons. due 1890 90	S. C. P. G. Act '66 30	ferred the election of Major Blodsoe and the Repub-
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	licans of the House ticket, all of whom declared for
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	Major Blodsoe. The Senate, however, was not
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	pledged to go into Democratic caucuses and abide
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	its decision. This is the sort of thing that has
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	been the cause of the present quarrel between the
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	Democratic counties. This is the tactics of party in-
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	dependence and inaction, placing a mere man
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	in the saddle. Each case cannot be treated in-
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	dependently condemned, and must forever meet with
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	disfavor at the hands of good Democrats. The course
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	of the House is a course of expediency, and it is
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	upon the shoulders of the Democracy a heavier bur-
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	den than it would have otherwise borne in the Con-
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	gress. The Senate is not to be blamed for the im-
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	portance than the Senate. Everything depends on
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	the Democracy retaining control of the House of
N. Y. A. R. U. due 92 104	N. O. '81 89-93 & '96 30	Representatives.

C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	Hyatt, who has been Chairman of the Penn-
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	sylvanian State since 1875.
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	Mr. Hyatt considers the change of the
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	election day from October to November as
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	injurious, because the influence of Ohio and Indiana
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	will give courage to the enemy. Were the election
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	held in October, the influence of Ohio and Indiana
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	would sweep everything before them. As it is,
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	it is simply a question of harder work to carry the
C.R. & P. Gen. corp. 1098	Y. Gen. G. 1887, 105	State, and with a smaller majority at the end. In

PHILADELPHIA STOCK PRICES—ADG. 10.	
	Bid. Asked.
City & Gas, new	114 3/4 115 1/4
United Railroad of New Jersey	129 1/2 130 1/4
Pennsylvania Railroad	31 3/4 32 1/4
Reading Railroad	38 1/2 39 1/4
Lehigh Valley Railroad	38 1/2 39 1/4
Delaware Railroad preferred	55 1/2 56 1/4
Delaware Railroad common	38 1/2 39 1/4
Schenck Navigation preferred	8 0 8 1/4
Schenck Navigation common	8 0 8 1/4
York Navigation	17 1/2 18 1/4
Pittsburg, Titansville and Buffalo	37 1/2 38 1/4
New York and Erie	98 3/4 99 1/4
Central Transportation	98 3/4 99 1/4

— The follow is the Custom-house return of

THE RUIN AT WALLINGFORD

PECULIAR FEATURES OF FRIDAY'S DREADFUL STORM.

THE TERRIBLY MAJESTIC MOVEMENT OF THE TORNADO—HOW AN OLD HOUSE WITHSTOOD THE GALE—AND EXTENDED BY THE WALLINGFORD COMMUNITY—FUNERAL OF THE VICTIMS.

From Our Special Correspondent.

WALLINGFORD, Conn., Aug. 11.—It will be many years before the recollection of Friday night's storm in this place will be effaced. Its suddenness was only paralleled by its severity. I wrote yesterday such an account of the rise of the storm and its desolating course as I could gather from observers of it; but the fact was plain that no one thought of studying the aspect of the heavens before the blast struck the plain, and that all accounts are at best the recollection of that which was only a thunder-storm of unusual severity. Its coming was swift. From the west, over Mount Tom or Lamentation Mountain, the black clouds rolled up, dense and heavy with their burdens of water. Beneath them was a fringe of lighter clouds, almost white at their ragged edges and tinged with a sulphury hue in the center. As they rolled over the mountain they seemed to touch its crest, so low did they hang, and it was when the blackest clouds appeared that the whirling motion was first observed and excited alarm among those who saw their approach. It is not probable that any of the unfortunate victims of the storm feared the coming of it. They may have noticed the magnificent commotion in the heavens, but they were filled with an undisturbed, playful feeling of suspense. From a gentleman who watched the storm from the time it began to gather, I learned that its advance and development were extraordinary sights. Never before had he witnessed such grand movements of clouds. The great masses were limited in area, the horizon showing patches of bright sky in places, and the storm clouds reaching further to the north than the south above the village. The whole mass obeyed the gyratory impulse, and circled about with incredible rapidity for a space of what seemed nearly a mile in breadth. The moment it touched the edge of Lake Windermere the damage began. My informant said he saw the crash of the mill belonging to the Wallingford Community. Its fragments were whirled aloft and engulfed in the mass of clouds. Then the waters of the lake were seized by the tornado, and they seemed to be pumped up and carried along in a solid mass, and descended from low-hanging clouds as they rushed along. Soon from the hill on which Main-street runs, the storm was terrible now. From the moment it reached the Twohey cabin the air was thick with the fragments of ruined houses, trees, vegetables that were uprooted, grass, and even sand and gravel. The noise made by this whirling mass was peculiar, but the incessant crashing of thunder made it indistinguishable to those persons who were more concerned for the safety of their lives and their homes than they were about the majestic onset of wind and clouds.

One of the most curious features presented to the spectators who examined the field of ruin yesterday was the distinct line of limit within which the storm was confined. Houses that stood on the edge of its course had their gables torn and their chimneys scraped off close to the roof. In the track of the storm, however, the houses were left standing, and the damage done above the site of one of the cabins in Colony-street a mass of hay was piled high, and on the ground behind the hay were fragments of a barn. The house which stood here had been sprinkled over plain and hill for a mile, and a barn had been deposited in a somewhat isolated corner of its place. In the grove east of Main-street, where the wind struck after its force was somewhat spent, chairs, organ-pipes from the Catholic church, shingles, and other rubbish, carried by the wind nearly half a mile, were found. On Colony-street stands a very old house, its shingles stained black, and beaten with furrows by the rain of a century. Its windows are glazed with small panes of glass, and it has quaint little overhanging porches, and a capacious, worn kitchen extending to the rear of the house. The wind fell upon this building as if a weight had been dropped from the sky. The extension wall was pushed over by the wind, and a great hole was broken in the roof of the house itself. An old Irish woman, whose only companion was a little girl, occupied one side of the house, and the other side was the kitchen. All were frightened, but no one was hurt. It was in this house that the baby of John Twohey, who, with several of her children, was killed, found shelter and care. In front of this old house, which had resisted the storm very well, a huge elm was blown down, and its trunk had been chopped with a sharp axe. This fact astonished many of the old men who saw the storm, and wondered that the old tree, which had stood for a century, should be so completely overcome. I should have mentioned, perhaps, that the old house was one of those in which Wallingford has a reputation for its safety. I was so informed by the old Irishwoman who occupies a part of it. Patrick Clyde, one of the injured, had just got home from work when the storm broke over him. He and his four children were about to sit down to supper when the first puff of wind blew in at the window. Patrick got up to shut the door, and the blast came in, and he and his children were blown down. The old house was not damaged, but the children were killed. The old house was not damaged, but the children were killed. The old house was not damaged, but the children were killed.

The damage to tombstones in the cemetery adjoining the Catholic church was considerable. Several of the plots were marked with large monumental tombstones, most of them of the same material, and all of them of the same shape. Not one of these monuments was left standing, although the obelisks were fastened stoutly to the bases. They were crumpled and broken, and the fragments were driven violently across the mounds, plowing deep ridges through the earth.

The Wallingford people, and particularly the injured persons who were in need of attendance, and shelter, were helped in a most successful manner by the promptness with which the Community people came to the rescue of the homeless ones, and the generous hospitality that they offered to the homeless ones. Mr. Kinsey, the head of the Community, is credited to have been the first man on the ground who offered to take any plan for collecting the injured and the dead. He brought all the teams and wagons from the settlement, and offered to provide for all who needed care. The Community people, it is to be said, were not only kind, but they were also brave. They were not only kind, but they were also brave. They were not only kind, but they were also brave.

DAMAGE BY STORM IN WEST VIRGINIA. Special Dispatch to the New-York Times. WHEELING, Aug. 11.—Information has just been received from this city, confirming the statement that a very destructive wind and storm passed over a portion of West Virginia in this State, last Thursday night. The corn, apple, grape, and plum crops were materially damaged. The wheat which was standing in stalk was much injured, and some small stock killed. The loss cannot be estimated, but it is thought that it will not exceed \$50,000.

THE WAR OF OCCUPATION.

STOUT RESISTANCE TO AUSTRIA.

THE BATTLE ON THE MAGLAI LINE—SHEPETSKE ABANDONED BY MOHAMMEDANS WHEN OCCUPIED—PREPARING TO ATTACK ANOTHER STRONGHOLD—TURKISH ORDERS TO THE OFFICIALS.

VIENNA, Aug. 11.—Official intelligence has been received fully confirming in all its details the report of the battle on the 8th inst. along the line from Maglai to Shepsetske, as telegraphed by the correspondent of the London Daily News. The official reports place the number of insurgents at considerably over 6,000, with four cannon and a rocket battery. The fighting lasted eight hours, the insurgents obstinately holding a succession of strong positions. The Bosnians lost 500 in killed and wounded and 600 prisoners. The Austrian Army found Shepsetske abandoned by the Mohammedan population.

On Friday the Austrians advanced against the strongly entrenched position of Vranduk. BUCAREST, Aug. 11.—News received from insurgent sources is to the effect that the opponents to Austrian occupation, consisting of Bosnians, Turkish tribes, Arnauts, and Albanians, number over 100,000 men, well armed. All the strategic points on the road to Sarajevo are occupied and entrenched. Both the insurgents and the Austrians are being reinforced daily.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 11.—It is positively stated that the Porte on Saturday telegraphed decisive instructions to Sarajevo that an argument had been reached with Austria upon a general convention, and that the Austrians were to be evacuated from the provinces as friends, and that any offer of resistance to them will be to no purpose.

THE CHANGES IN EUROPEAN TURKEY. CONCESSIONS TO CRETE—THE FUTURE RULER OF BULGARIA. LONDON, Aug. 11.—A Constantinople dispatch to Reuters' Telegram Company says the Porte has resolved to grant very large concessions to Crete, such as will be calculated to pacify the inhabitants of that island, but has determined to refuse the demands of Greece, and to make no concessions to the Greeks.

RUSSIANS IN CENTRAL ASIA. A FURTHER APPROACH TO BRITISH INDIA IN PROGRESS. LONDON, Aug. 12.—A Berlin dispatch to the Times says the Russian expedition to Central Asia aims at the occupation of six minor Khanates between the Amu Darya and the mountains of Hindoo Koosh. One of these (Vakhani) is a tributary of Afghanistan. Its occupation would reduce the distance between Russia and India to 325 miles.

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for to-day, in the Middle Atlantic States, clear or partly cloudy weather, light westerly winds, becoming variable, stationary temperature, and higher pressure.

Respectable Massachusetts is once more in a panic over the prospect of BUTLER'S candidacy for Governor. For a while it was hoped and believed that he would content himself with running for Congress again. But this erratic politician insists on doing the thing which he is not wanted to do. Or, as a TIMES correspondent puts the case, nobody has said that he shall not go to Congress, therefore he does not want to go. But there is a very general wish that he shall not be Governor, and he is accordingly determined to be a candidate. The eminently respectable men who manage the affairs of the Republican Party in Massachusetts have been shivering at the thought that the dreadful BUTLER might become another campaign for the party nomination. But he now proposes, as we are credibly informed, to run as an independent candidate, and will take the field in response to one of those "great popular demands" which a cunning politician like BUTLER knows so well how to prepare. It is hardly necessary to say that Gen. BUTLER, as an independent candidate for Governor, will make things very lively in Massachusetts politics.

The speech of Hon. BENJAMIN HARRISON at Richmond, Ind., which we published yesterday morning, shows a decided advance toward sound principles beyond the position not long since occupied by the Republicans of that State. Mr. HARRISON accepts the challenge of Gov. HENDRICKS to make an issue upon the financial views of the two parties, and few hard-money men will find much fault with those which the Republican representative advances. He asks that resumption be considered as a fact, and that nothing be done in an opposite direction. When it is remembered that the Democrats are demanding a repeal of the Resumption act, and the issue of more legal-tender notes, this is comparatively safe ground. Yet it must be admitted that there are grave constitutional and practical difficulties in the way of two things which Mr. HARRISON regards as essential features of the policy of the Government, viz., the reissue of redeemed notes and redemption equally in silver and gold.

Hon. B. H. BRISTOW has been appointed by the President as chief counsel for the Government in the South Carolina cases. He will have charge of the interests of the Government, with power to select such assistants as he may prefer. Mr. BRISTOW'S reputation at home as a lawyer is as high as his reputation for statesmanship and purity of character throughout the Union. The selection is an exceedingly good one.

Having corrected what is known as the "relationship abuse" in the Treasury Department, Secretary SHERMAN is asked to interfere to prevent Treasury clerks from coming into competition with short-hand reporters. It is said that many of the stenographers who are employed by the Treasury Department, at good salaries, manage to secure long leaves of absence during which they earn more money by reporting special cases. This is not fair toward reporters who do not have a Government position to fall back upon; and it is a very poor sort of civil service reform which allows Government clerks to absent themselves from their posts, while under pay, in order to earn additional wages elsewhere, during business hours.

Meteorologists will find much interesting data in the reports of the Wallingford tornado, published in THE TIMES. Such commotions have occurred in our latitude only at very rare intervals, and the accounts of this and previous tornadoes remind one of West Indian hurricanes rather than of the violent disturbances which occasionally sweep over the Western States. On Thursday there were violent gales in various parts of New-England and the Middle States, and of these being reported as far south as

West Virginia. But the Wallingford tornado was local; outside of an area a quarter of a mile wide and a half mile long, it was not felt. Outside of a space in which thirty people were killed, and a great number of structures reduced to chips and rubbish, there was no appearance of any disturbance, the line of destruction being as sharply drawn as the out of a sickle in a harvest-field. A tropical storm, as this seemed to be, is as out of place in New-England as an iceberg would be in the tepid waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Aside from the scientific interest with which this particular tornado must be regarded, however, it is impossible not to feel a thrill of pity for the unhappy villagers who have been visited by a calamity which has wrought death and ruin.

Alderman BIGLIN'S famous resolutions welcoming the victorious Columbia crew on their return to the United States were ridiculous, but the doggerel resited at the reception of the crew, the other day, was impertinent and offensive to good taste. The oarsmen have borne their honors with manly modesty, and they have nothing but praise for their British competitors, who do not like (naturally enough) to be beaten, and who do not readily accept foreign notions about anything. It was a pity, therefore, that the volunteer laureate of the Columbia reception should have been allowed to mar the heartiness of the occasion by vulgar imitations of the dialect of an English cockney and by insinuations concerning the alleged unfairness of the British competitors of the Americans. There is such a thing as spoiling a triumph with silly vaingloriousness.

MISPLACED LOYALTY.

There is no reason for doubting that the dispute as to the jurisdiction of the State and Federal Courts in the case of the indicted revenue officials in South Carolina will be settled on legal principles and by judicial processes, and that the decision, whatever it may be, will be peaceably acquiesced in. The case of the arrested Government agent in Mississippi may result in a similar conflict of authority, but that too, is likely to be settled by the courts. It is hardly to be believed that either State will undertake to assert its authority as paramount to that of the nation, should the decision of the Federal tribunals be against it; and yet it is perfectly evident that the doctrine of State rights in the pestilent form that has caused so much trouble in the past, is tenaciously held by a large majority of the Southern Democrats. The response called out from the organs of popular feeling throughout the South by the recent speech of JEFFERSON DAVIS at Mississippi City, leaves no doubt on that point. In nearly every instance they vehemently sustain his assertion of the rights of States, even to that of secession, which they attempted so disastressfully to vindicate in 1861. The old feeling is not dead and the "lost cause" is still referred to as sacred and no less righteous because it was overwhelmed in defeat. The hope is cherished that it will yet be established in principle and in practice through future political triumphs, which are to offset the failure that followed the resort to arms. But common prudence dictates that there should be no premature resistance to the national authority. They await the time when the Federal power shall be virtually in their own hands and can be peaceably subordinated to the pretensions of States, in accordance with the doctrines of CALHOUN, which are cherished as firmly as ever. Therefore we anticipate no serious trouble from the cases now pending. The blindest champion of State rights cannot fail to forecast the result of any attempt to nullify or to resist the authority of the United States. Our people have not forgotten the fearful cost of such experiments, and they would be aroused as nothing else could arouse them to sustain the nation in smiting such audacity to the dust. Their sincere longing for conciliation and the harmony of a common good-will among the States and between the sections would not prevent their wrath from rising at the smallest effort to undo the work of those years of blood and darkness which left such a heritage of loss and suffering.

Though State rights, as a sentiment and a belief, still lives in the Southern States and will not be effaced but by the gradual dying out of those who have been brought up to it as a part of their political religion, and have sustained it in a crusade to which they devoted their lives, their property, and their honor, as a practical question in American politics it is dead. War proves nothing and defeat disproves nothing, but controversies are settled by them nevertheless. JEFFERSON DAVIS may obstinately repeat to his dying day that as a matter of abstract right secession is still to be justified, and his faithful admirers may echo the sentiment with the vehemence of fanaticism, but as a matter of practical fact the doctrine of secession is buried deeper than ever plummet sounded, and never again will the attempt be made in this country to raise it from the bloody depths. So with State rights, in the old sense of supremacy of authority over the nation; it may be cherished in the South as a sentiment, and cling to as a matter of faith, but events count for something, experience hammers its lessons into a people, and there is no going back of the verdict of history. Whatever the framers of the Constitution may have conceded for the sake of not defeating their effort at union, whatever CALHOUN may have taught, whatever the Democrats of the South may maintain to-day, the authority of the nation has been vindicated and secured, and all future attempts to assail it will be futile. We are a nation. The Constitution has been amended; and, above all, a majority of the people and of the States, too strong to be resisted, have a deep-seated conviction that cannot be shaken, that allegiance is due first and foremost to the authority of the nation, which must be sustained henceforth at all hazards. No national party will dare take any other ground.

It is quite time that the people of the South should comprehend those things that pertain to their temporal salvation. What to them is the doctrine of State rights more than to any other section of the country? They have no longer interests antagonistic to those of the North. Their prosperity and well-being are bound up with those of the rest of the country. It is everywhere admitted that the States have rights, ex-

clusive and complete within their sphere, and Northern States would be as jealous as Southern of any invasion of those rights; but patriotism demands that we should be equally jealous of the prerogatives of the nation. The difficulty with these unregenerate people of the South is that their loyalty is misplaced. All their patriotism centres in their States, and they have no feeling of devoted allegiance to their country. All these collisions, present and to come, for come they will for years, grow out of the fact of a popular disregard for Federal requirements. Laws for the collection of national revenues and the protection of Government property are treated as though they were the decrees of a foreign power, not entitled to respect and obedience. There is no reverence for the national authority, no genuine love of country, among these people, but instead, a narrow jealousy of the rights and powers of States, which in their proper limits nobody denies, but which they would exalt into the supreme and only objects of regard which, as citizens, are bound to acknowledge. Thereby they stand in the way of their own progress and peace. They need capital, they need labor and enterprise, and they have far more to gain by a harmonious coalescence of States into nation than any other section, but so long as they will not acknowledge the sacredness of law, accept the authority of the Government, and devote a fair share of their allegiance faithfully to the Union and its interests, they will remain more or less isolated, subject to irritation, liable to coercion, and menacing the peace and security of the whole country.

MORE ANCIENT HISTORY.

Mr. MARBLE'S high-flown letter on the Electoral Commission has waked up Mr. HENRY WATTERSON. This was to be expected. Although Mr. WATTERSON is a reticent, secretive, and wholly reserved person, there are times when he comes to the front with a surprising mass of information. In his controversy with Mr. HENRY WATT, which was lately conducted with much brilliancy through the Democratic newspapers of this City, Mr. WATTERSON adjoined the late editor of the World to open his ponderous and marble jaws and speak. Accordingly, Mr. MARBLE precluded his letter with a reference to this adjuration, which he said he could not choose but hear. Now, Mr. WATTERSON, with that modesty which has always characterized him, falls upon Mr. MARBLE'S statement and pulls it to pieces. At least we should suppose, from the tone of the Courier-Journal's comment, that the Kentucky differed with the New-York ex-editor. But the Kentuckians says, as it were, that six and six make twelve; whereas, Mr. MARBLE has maintained that two half dozens make twelve. Mr. MARBLE says that Mr. TILDEN should have been President; but, while he was pleading for delay his Democratic friends in Congress joined in the preparation of the Electoral Commission bill, and that before he knew where he was, that tribunal was established and his chance was lost.

This is a thread-bare story, but Mr. WATTERSON, as if recitifying, says that the plan of Mr. TILDEN, "pure and simple," was to have the House insist upon its right to count the vote, that this would have resulted in no choice by the Senate and House in joint convention, and that the House would have then proceeded to choose the President and the Senate the Vice-President, which, we suppose, would have given us TILDEN and WHEELER. Mr. WATTERSON evidently considers this an important correction of Mr. MARBLE'S attempt to write history. It does not appear that these two writers differ irreconcilably. Mr. MARBLE did say that while Mr. TILDEN was piteously pleading for more time, it was tacitly understood that he was devising a great scheme which would throw the election into the House. If this was not Mr. TILDEN'S plan, deep-laid or otherwise, then his various commentators have failed to understand him. In truth, with immense gravity, they all announce the same fact as if it were something new, just as Mr. MARBLE thrusts his ancient history on the public, as though he were telling his tale for the first time. TILDEN wanted to have the election thrown into the Democratic House of Representatives. This was "a sure thing" for him. A House which has steadily seated Democratic contestants, without regard to law or equity, would not fail to elect him. And this is the whole story. What need of wasting words over it?

The Democratic speakers and newspapers who vex the public ear with their complaints are like the elder Weller, who plaintively demanded, "Oh, Samivel, Samivel, why wasn't there a allyer?" Why indeed? Simply because the Democrats would not have the only thing which they now claim would have elected Mr. TILDEN. It does not particularly concern us that Mr. TILDEN wanted to force the election into the House. It does not concern us that nobody knows, to this day, what Mr. HAYES thought of the various schemes on foot. But it does concern us very much that the law creating the Electoral Commission became a law of the land by Democratic votes, and that the insufferable whining of MARBLE, WATTERSON, and TILDEN, at this late day, is an impertinence. The Democrats had a fair chance to choose between the various expedients which were offered for the solution of the Presidential question. If they had chosen to force the election into the House, they might have done it. But they deliberately chose the Electoral Commission scheme, with the secret understanding that it promised them all that they could secure by an election by the House, without the foregone partisan conclusion which such an election would have. In the Republican Senate, only one Democrat voted against the Electoral Commission bill. In the House, where Mr. TILDEN'S friends were caucusing and conniving, the bill passed by the aid of Democratic votes. It was a Democratic measure in that they permitted it to pass when they were in a majority, and, through a party caucus, could decide what should and what should not pass the House.

Why were the Democrats desirous that there should be established an Electoral Commission for the settlement of the Presidential dispute? Because the bill was so drawn that they saw in it an almost certain majority in favor of their candidate. They believed that Mr. Justice Davis, of Illinois

was sure to cast his vote for the Democratic side; and his vote, with those of the known Democratic Judges, made TILDEN'S election by this commission so certain that Mr. MARBLE would not have given five cents to have the result insured in his favor. But, before the tribunal could be constituted, and after it was too late for the Democratic majority in the House to retract their steps, Judge DAVIS was elected Senator, and was thus disqualified from acting as a member of the commission. There is no knowing, even now, how he would have voted, but the Democrats were sure of him, and, being sure of him, they were sure of a majority of the commission. Judge DAVIS did not serve; the rope of sand to which the Democrats clung fell away in their grasp, and the Electoral Commission decided in favor of the Republican candidate. THE TIMES said then, as it does now, that Mr. HAYES was honestly and fairly elected, and that the Electoral Commission was an expedient which would satisfy anybody. The Democrats, in and out of Congress, favored the scheme of the commission. It is of no manner of consequence now what Mr. MARBLE or Mr. WATTERSON thought of it. Their party deliberately chose this method of settlement, against the better judgment of a majority of Republicans. They lost, and from that day to this they have been whining and twaddling about "the fraud," just as though they had not engineered and run the very machine which they complain has hurt them. It is high time that this childish nonsense were stopped. Nobody cares what MARBLE, WATTERSON, TILDEN, or any of their "coparceners" thought then about the various plans of settlement. We do know that they and their party gambled and lost. They have been whimpering ever since.

THE CALIFORNIA WHEAT TRADE.

At about this time every year the minds of ship-owners naturally turn toward California, for by the 1st of August the wheat crop of that State has been harvested, and a fair estimate can be made of the chances of profitable freights for the next six months. Now, that the guano trade on the west coast of South America has subsided into a fraction of its former importance, the wheat carrying trade between California and Europe is about the only business in which sailing vessels can engage without fear of steam competition. The rates of freight for sailing vessels between this country and Europe, China, and India, except occasional voyages to small ports, is regulated largely by the rates demanded by the owners of steam-ships. It is rarely the case that sailing vessels can obtain, as they frequently could of old, highly remunerative rates, for in almost every instance their owners have to put the price of transportation, in consequence of the keen competition with steam vessels, below what in former days would be considered to be merely a fair profit. But thus far the sailing ships have had the California grain trade wholly to themselves, and unless a canal is cut through the Isthmus of Panama, or, through some now unknown invention, a great saving is made in the cost of running steamers, they are likely to continue their hold upon this last possession. The voyage, under the most favorable circumstances, is a long one, and the trade winds are so far to be depended upon that, with the exception of rounding Cape Horn, a fast sailing vessel can make almost as much headway as an average freight steamer can profitably be forced into making, particularly if the latter is obliged to carry coal for the entire voyage.

Last year the California grain trade was not in the least remunerative to ship-owners. The crop was small, so that many more vessels arrived in San Francisco "seeking" than were needed to transport the meagre surplus which was available for exportation. Added to this, was the fact that the immense grain crop in the Northwestern States diminished the demand for California wheat in the English and Continental markets. Quite a number of vessels were, therefore, compelled to leave the Pacific Coast in ballast and seek employment in China, Australia, and India. But this year the tables have been turned. Exportations of Western wheat will unquestionably fall considerably below the point reached last year, while in California it is estimated that there will be from 650,000 to 750,000 tons of wheat available for European consumption. More than this, the wheat crop of Oregon is larger this season than ever before, and the surplus for exportation in that State is put by some as high as 100,000 tons. What the condition of the European markets will be is as yet somewhat problematical, though present appearances would indicate that the demand there will be nearly, if not quite, equal to that of 1877.

An event has recently occurred which bids fair to greatly change the character of the California wheat trade, and this is the death of Mr. ISAAC FRIEDLANDER, who for several years past has exercised a controlling influence in the grain market of California, and in many ways has regulated the rates of freight upon grain shipped from that State to Europe. Mr. FRIEDLANDER was the agent and purchaser for a number of large English houses, and by combining the authority thus given he was able, within certain limits, to mold both the grain and the freight markets to his wishes. More than three-quarters of the wheat exported from San Francisco was purchased and shipped under his direction, and in the chartering of vessels to carry grain his influence came even more decisively into play. His orders from England and Germany usually covered both the price of the wheat and the cost of its transportation, and his interests lay in the direction of reducing as far as possible the rates of freight. Having a monopoly which was regulated only by the ability of the ship-owner to send his vessel in ballast to some other port, he held a position which gave him a decided advantage in any trade into which he entered. Then, too, as he was an extensive speculator in grain, the natural tendency of his operations was to enhance the price of wheat and reduce the cost of transportation. But the grasp upon the business which he held will now be loosened, as he leaves no successor who can hope to fill his place. Hereafter, in all probability, there will be something of a competition among shippers to secure vessels, and the owners of these will

be able to make better engagements than they could when they were obliged to accept such rates as the "Grain King" chose to dictate. For several years past sailing vessels all the world over have suffered for the want of profitable business, and even at present the probability that some five hundred vessels will find reasonably remunerative employment upon the Pacific coast is the only promising feature in the future outlook.

THE METRICAL SYSTEM AND ITS INTRODUCTION.

During the last session of Congress a resolution was passed, on the motion of Mr. CLARK, of Missouri, inquiring of the various Government departments concerning the introduction of the metrical system in the United States. As is well known, this system has already been legalized by act of Congress. The object of the resolution was to find from each of the heads of departments what objections existed to the introduction of the system as obligatory, first in Governmental transactions, and second, in transactions between individuals. Replies were duly sent in, of which those from the War Department, the Navy Department, the Department of State, and the Postmaster-General were the most interesting. On the whole, the opinions expressed were rather against than for the change.

The Navy Department, for instance, pointed out that if the system were made obligatory in the affairs of the Navy, it would "involve a total loss of all charts and chart-plates now in use," as on these the soundings were given in fathoms and feet. And the Secretary added, that, as long as England continued the use of the present standard, a change "would be prejudicial and prevent the free use and interchange of charts which seems essential to navigators." When it is remembered that the hydrographic department of the English Government is the most important and extensive of its kind in the world, that its surveys are the most careful and the most widely used, and that they are authoritative even with nations which have adopted the metrical system, this objection has much weight.

The Postmaster-General cited two objections. One was the expense which would be involved in furnishing new scales, an objection not very important, but which might readily seem so to an officer who is compelled each year to fight for an appropriation to cover a deficiency in his revenues. The second was more serious, and was based on the difficulty of instructing postmasters at the smaller stations, and on the difficulty of getting the public to adopt the new mode of computation. We do not think that in the Post Office this would be a very serious matter. The packages usually offered there are very nearly uniform in weight, letters and papers constituting the great bulk of mail matter, and it would be comparatively easy to accustom the public to calculating in grams instead of ounces. Indeed, it may safely be said that no better field for introducing the metrical system gradually can be found than the Post Office.

The State Department contented itself with remarking that the disadvantages of the system in dealing with countries which have not adopted it would be greater than the advantages in dealing with those who have adopted it.

In the War Department the matter was very carefully considered, and opinions were reported from various chiefs of bureaus. Of these, that of the Quartermaster-General, Gen. MILES, was very strongly opposed to the change. It would vastly increase the labor of computation; it would increase the chances of error; it would involve expense in the change of scales, measures, &c., and unless the new system were made obligatory in transactions between individuals, it would involve "continual confusion and misunderstanding." As to imposing the system on individuals generally, the Quartermaster-General is of the opinion that Congress has not the power to do so, and that the people would not submit to it. To these objections, which are worthy of consideration, be added another which does not seem to be as much so, viz., that the basis of the system, the metre, is not, as was originally supposed, an exact ten millionth part of the quadrant of the meridian of Paris, and that it is, therefore, "quite as arbitrary and unscientific a standard as the foot or yard." But, in reality, it is of no great consequence whether the metre is the even decimal fraction of a known measurement of the earth's circumference. The essential feature of the metrical system is that the unit, once adopted, is multiplied or divided decimally, and that this fact makes all calculations more simple, easy, and free from chances of error. Once given a measure of length, surface, weight, and cubic contents, which can be subdivided or increased decimally, and its relation to any longitudinal quadrant may be disregarded. Our own yard or foot might just as well serve as any other, if it were not that the metre has already been adopted by France, Germany, Russia, Italy, Belgium, Holland, and, in short, by all the important commercial nations except Great Britain.

This brings us to the most serious element in the discussion, which is the co-operation of Great Britain. It is perfectly plain that what might be very profitable in the long run, and comparatively easy with the aid of that country, would be much more difficult without such aid. Even if we could adopt the system at home, we should still be at great disadvantage in our extensive dealings with English-speaking people. In any case, the process would be a tedious one, and one which would demand great caution and patience in its introduction. Many measurements, especially of surface, as those defining the boundaries of land, would have to be accepted on the old terms for a long time, and the utmost care would be required not to derange the records of such measurements. But, in spite of such inconveniences, which are inseparable from any change, we have no doubt that England and the United States could ultimately introduce the metrical system to great advantage. Both Governments will move slowly in regard to the matter. It is their habit to do so. But it is hardly reasonable to ask them not to move at all until a strong popular demand requires them to do so. There are many things which even the most limited Government must regulate, without a specific impulse from the people. The details of

coinage, for instance, and of mail transportation, would be forever neglected if they were left to popular vote, and the regulation of weights and measures is of like nature. The Government cannot afford to far outstrip popular opinion or go too strongly against popular prejudice, but it may fairly try, in a judicious manner, to lead the former and overcome the latter.

At low tide at Monterey, Cal., a part of the wreck of a vessel, formerly the Natalia, can be seen, though very few who see it are aware that she is or was the ship on which NAPOLEON BONAPARTE escaped from the 63 years ago, to revive his broken power by his immense personal magnetism, and lost forever on the memorable field of Waterloo. The old vessel, now slowly going to pieces in the Pacific, has a local history. She brought to California, in 1824, from Mexico, the colony of Elias, whose members intended to settle in what was then Sonoma County. Not liking Sonoma, they returned to California, and, perhaps of accident, times, being typified by the ship that had transported them thither. It is odd that some enterprising showman like BARNUM has not carried off a portion or the whole of the wreck of the Natalia, and put it into a museum to aid the common mind in its effort to understand the character and genius of the first Napoleon, or perhaps of ancient times. "Fragments of the ship in which the great NAPOLEON escaped from Elba" would be to the many an alluring curiosity and a bit of material history.

It seems singular that FANNY ESSLER, who danced before our fathers and grandfathers, should still be alive. She appears to the rising generation, or to that part of it which has ever heard of her, like a dim echo of the past—a ghost of antiquity. And yet she is not so very old, having but recently passed her sixty-seventh year. She is represented in excellent health, and in an admirable state of preservation, albeit inclined very decidedly to stoop, and is now 27 years since she reappeared on the stage at Vienna, her birthplace, and 37 since she came to the United States, where she had prodigious success, and which she is said to remember with pleasure and gratitude. She now lives near Hamburg, in the enjoyment of a large fortune, made by the lavish and nimble display of her once symmetrical loveliness. She has lost a good deal of her beauty, but she has gained in wisdom and abundance of life to gratify her most luxurious tastes. Although she has had a number of affairs of the heart, she has never been married, having had so strong an attachment to cellulose that the once famous Dr. VERON, of Paris, is believed to have sought her hand in vain.

They continue to have in Kentucky those rapturous displays of which history and homelife so beautifully alternate that it is hard to say where one ends and the other begins. The latest was near Frankfort, and reads very much like an account of a battle, as we are told that, in addition to the mortal wounding of one man and the serious wounding of five or six others, the horses of two of the combatants were shot. The cause of the war was, as the warriors, who fired thirty shots, which was considered so insignificant that their friends, the dispassionate says, were about to take part, when cooler heads intervened to prevent further bloodshed. These barbarous encounters, so common in Kentucky and other Southern States, are scarcely excusable in the North, where people are so fond of joy themselves without shooting anybody. The old French sarcasm about the English, who are wont to say, "This is a glorious morning, let us go and kill something," would, if applied to many of the Southerners, be more a fact than a sarcasm. These very phrases, "glorious morning," and they straightway proceed to murder action. The cause of the war is, as the savagery must be sought less in the native ferocity of the Southerners than in their general habit of drinking and of being armed. Most men, particularly Americans, are ugly when under the influence of liquor, and to be ugly and to be armed is a crowd is very apt to insure trouble. The bloody plagues of Kentucky, and almost all the affrays there, are unquestionably traceable to the free use of Bourbon whisky, called the wine of Kentucky, which so many sons of the State deem it patriotic duty to the old Commonwealth to guzzle at all times and places. If the South should ever become as temperate, or as little intemperate, as the North generally is, there would be far less difference than there is now between the two sections.

It is often said that the French are not successful as colonists, but the following story shows that some of them, at least, understand pretty well how to deal with the races among whom they settle. During the construction of the railroad from Algiers to Bldah, the French engineer in charge of the work, while watching the progress of the parapet of a bridge, suddenly slipped and fell. The height above the ground being nearly 30 feet, he would probably have been killed but for the timely presence of an Arab, upon whom he alighted, breaking his own fall and the Mussulman's neck simultaneously. He was instantly surrounded by a crowd of furious natives, and would have been torn in pieces had not the prompt intervention of a French escort, who hastened to assure the mob that he should be as once carried before the district magistrate for trial. Thither he was accordingly taken, the multitude following him with savage yells for the life of the Christian dog who had dared to kill a true believer. The magistrate, a man of the old school, was so terrified by the uproar that his only thought was to shift the responsibility elsewhere as speedily as possible. He lost no time in announcing that the engineer, being to all intents and purposes a Government officer, could only be tried by the military commandant, to whom the Arabs immediately betook themselves, headed by the dead man's wife, who was loaded of all sorts of insults and abuse. The commandant, a vigorous veteran of the old school, saw at once what was to be done, and assuring the infuriated rabble that justice should be given them, politely inquired of the young ringleader whether he was willing to accept any compromise for his father's death? The Arab sprang the suggestion, and fiercely demanded blood for blood. "Very good," answered the commandant, "you shall have what you demand. Let the Frenchman be placed upon the very spot where his victim was standing, and do you, as your father's lawful avenger, go up to the top of the parapet and jump down upon him." It is hardly necessary to add that the young gentleman declined to try the experiment.

Poetry frequently conveys false impressions which remain on the mind uncorrected by facts. CAMPBELL'S couplet, "Kope for a season had the world farewell, the gallant Polid died in battle. He did fall from his horse, covered with wounds, at the engagement of Madoewie (1794) with the words, 'This is the end of Poland.' Taken prisoner and held as such for some days, the gallant Polid died of his wounds, and his accursed name gave him liberty, an estate with 1,500 serfs, and a sum of money, and restored his sword. He afterward reclaimed the money and regained the estate, having returned on the spot the sword, with the remark that he had no further need of it, as he no longer had a country in whose service he might draw the sword." The gallant Polid was never granted a tract of land and a pension, and went back to France, engaging in agricultural pursuits near Fontainebleau. Later, he went to Switzerland, making his home in Soleure, whence he sent a deed of manumission to all the serfs upon his Russian estate. The year following, he was killed by the fall of his horse over a precipice, the fatal accident occurring 25 years after the battle of Madoewie. So much for fact against a jingling couplet, which sticks to the memory, while the facts readily slip away.

The sudden closing of the famous restaurant in the Palais Royal, Paris, known everlastingly as the "Trottoir Provençal," during the Franco-German war, caused no little surprise; but the fact that it has never been reopened has never been explained. It had, no doubt, a greater reputation than any restaurant in the world, and the name would have been of exceeding value to any person who owned it. Of course, the restaurant was closed, therefore, the efforts which we may make to get into closer communication with this centre of profane curiosity are vain. Nothing is known of its whereabouts. Such is the object which impels the objects of this journal. We devote ourselves to the objects which we know. Nothing is known of its whereabouts. Such is the object which impels the objects of this journal. We devote ourselves to the objects which we know.

"THE SPANISH-AMERICAN AND THE UNITED STATES."

From La Capital, Lima, Peru, June 27.

Such is the heading of an article which introduces a supplement of THE NEW-YORK TIMES, printed in Spanish, which we have lately received. There is no doubt that THE NEW-YORK TIMES is one of the most important newspapers published in the United States, both on account of the uprightness of its judgment and of its solid and independent character. It exercises a much greater influence among its large number of readers on this continent than the Herald, which has been, in particular, more widely known. Nothing is known of its whereabouts. Such is the object which impels the objects of this journal. We devote ourselves to the objects which we know.

THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

BUTLER AND THE MASSACHUSETTS DEMOCRATS.

HE FLEETS HIS INFLUENCE TO CARRY THREE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS FOR THEM, AND THEY AGREE TO MAKE NO NOMINATION FOR GOVERNOR—A RECEPTION IN REPARATION.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.
BOSTON, Aug. 12.—The next move in the Butler campaign will be a public reception to Butler by the Kearney Reception Committee. At a meeting to-night the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That we hail with feelings of unmingled pleasure and delight the announcement of Gen. Butler that he abandons the Republican Party, and with open arms we welcome him to the ranks of the people.

It is understood that Butler will accept the invitation, and will soon speak in Faneuil Hall. The barons between him and some of the leaders of the Democratic Party is completed. It is understood that he agrees to use his strength to carry three Congressional districts for the Democrats. In return agree to "fix things" that no nomination be made at their State Convention for Governor, leaving him a clear field to run against the Republican candidate. He will receive the Greenback nomination, which will be given at their convention this month, and now says he will accept it.

A "NATIONAL" STUMP SPEECH.

THE SCRANTON CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS BOASTS OF HIS LINEAGE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SCRANTON, Penn., Aug. 12.—At the celebration of the Father John Centennial by the German of this section to-day, Hon. Edmund B. Wright, the National colored man, Congress, made a characteristic labor speech. He set out by saying that his mother was German and the remainder of him Scotch-Irish, and that the papers of the country from Maine to Georgia would abuse him for boasting of that. He claimed that it was common man who made this a nation, and pledged his life to the elevation of the masses. There was no power above, below, or midway to divert him from this, and he would always advocate the cause of the working man as against corporations. He would never rest until there was plenty of money to carry on the business of the country, no matter how much he might be abused.

CONGRESSIONAL CONTENTS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

READING, Penn., Aug. 12.—The Ring of the Democracy, led by Hon. Hester Clymer, completely routed the Wanner faction in the Congressional Convention held here to-day. Mr. Wanner's opposition has been exceedingly bitter and personal the past two months. He has made a personal canvass, and has been unsparring in his denunciation of the present incumbent. Both factions assembled in the Court-house. Many of them, it is said, were armed to the teeth, and had Mr. Wanner's opponents been so overwhelming in numbers, manifested such a determined spirit, a hand-to-hand struggle would have been the unavoidable result. The Clymerites first captured the Chairman by a bold stroke. They then got out of 17 on the Committee on Resolutions. Mr. Clymer then delivered an hour's speech, in which he never mentioned his antagonist's name. He was assailed furiously by Mr. Wanner, who quoted Mr. Clymer as saying, many years ago, when he was a Whig, "If I had one drop of Democratic blood in my veins I would let it out." Clymer was then nominated.

DOTLESTOWN, Penn., Aug. 12.—The Republicans of the Seventh Congressional District to-day nominated William Gadsdalk.

THE WALLINGFORD DISASTER.

MEASURES OF RELIEF AT VARIOUS POINTS—ACTION OF THE PEOPLE OF HARTFORD AND OF OTHER CITIES.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 12.—On Wednesday passengers on the line of the New-York, New-Haven and Hartford Railroad will be carried to Wallingford at half rates on all accommodation trains regularly stopping at that place. President Bishop, of the road, this afternoon, in a general order to station agents, announces that all money collected in this way will be contributed in aid of the relief fund for the sufferers by the great disaster.

The Common Council to-night passed unanimously, in both houses, a resolution for the Mayor to call, at his convenience as to time and place, a city meeting to take action toward extending relief to the Wallingford sufferers. By the City ordinance, a proclamation of money over \$500 must be made in open meeting of the citizens, the Common Council being restricted in this matter. The meeting will be called at once.

NEW-HAVEN, Aug. 12.—At a meeting here to-night the Mayor was empowered to appoint committees to canvass each ward for subscriptions to aid the Wallingford sufferers.

MIDDLETOWN, Aug. 12.—A largely attended meeting of citizens of Middletown, held this evening, the following well-known gentlemen were appointed a committee to receive and disburse all contributions for the relief of the Wallingford sufferers. The committee are: Messrs. Heskiah Hall, Rev. Father Mallon, Morton Judd, Henry L. Hall, L. M. Hubbard, Bennett Jerald, Rev. E. W. Wildman, Dr. B. F. Harrison, John Kennedy, and others. The committee are to act in conjunction with the civic and borough officers. The town was divided into districts, and sub-committees were appointed to canvass each district for contributions. \$200 was received from Stamford. At one church in New-Britain on Sunday \$400 were raised. A petition will be presented to Gov. Hubbard, and the State Legislature will be asked to all the churches in the State asking that collections be made next Sunday.

Freddie Littlewood, aged 13 years, one of the injured at Wallingford, died at noon to-day. The total number of deaths thus far is 30.

FUNERAL OF COL. FRANK G. OTIS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

HARTFORD, Conn., Aug. 12.—The funeral of Col. Frank G. Otis, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in this State, was attended in Meriden this afternoon. There was a very large concourse of people present, several Posts from adjoining towns, from Hartford and New-Haven, together with representatives of all the posts in the State, joining in the ceremonies.

A BOY BURNED TO DEATH.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

READING, Penn., Aug. 12.—A stable in the vicinity of Lancaster Junction was consumed by fire about 4 o'clock this afternoon. The body of Henry Roth, a boy, burned to a shapeless mass. An older brother was severely scalded. A woman, who passed just as the flames burst from the building. The cause of the fire is unknown.

NEGRO RELIGIOUS ENTHUSIASM.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

REVEREND, Va., Aug. 12.—The cornerstones of the Glorious Baptist Church (colored) was laid this afternoon in the presence of an immense assembly. The ceremonies were conducted in accordance with the Masonic ritual. This church was organized in 1808, and its membership is now 3,268, being the largest church in the South, with an exception of the African Church in Richmond. The building is a masterpiece in style, with cost nearly \$25,000, contributed by the colored people, who have shown their earnestness in the work by manufacturing the bricks and digging the foundation for the structure. It will be a large, imposing, and substantial edifice, credit to the town and to the energy and liberality of the colored population.

EXCESSIVELY MOIST WEATHER.

SERIOUS EFFECTS OF THE MANY RAINS IN THE NORTH—THE CROPS BADLY DAMAGED AND FISH DYING FROM AGRICULTURAL POISONING.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.
TROY, N. Y., Aug. 12.—Excepting two days, it has rained regularly every day for the past two weeks in Northern New-York. A similar state of affairs exists in Western and Southern Vermont and Western Massachusetts. The injury to crops has been very great. Oats, especially, have suffered, and have rotted in the fields, because the farmers have not had time to dry or draw them in. Potatoes are considerably injured from rot. Buckwheat will suffer also. Corn is in good condition. Other produce will be affected proportionately. A sensitive and delicate nature, as the result of excessive and prolonged moisture. Probably \$1,000,000 will not be lost to the crops in the regions mentioned. The corn is all swollen to an extent phenomenal for this month, which is generally a dry season. The tributaries of the Hudson, the Catskills, and the Adirondacks are very high, but no damage is yet reported. An autumnal freshet equal to this has been unknown since 1850. Lakes Champlain, Seneca, George, and Ontario, are several feet higher than usual. The logs on the Upper Hudson have commenced coming down from the Adirondack streams in greater numbers than during the Spring freshets.

Another fact that attracts considerable notice is the finding of dead and bloated bodies of millions of fishes in the lakes and rivers, and the water, many of the fishes, which has been used to destroy potato bugs, but has been washed off by the rainfall and has remained in the water, and has been opened and found to be bloated most about the stomach, especially when they were found to have swallowed and partially digested the potato bugs that were carried off the vines and into the water-courses by the volume of rain.

RAILROAD BONDS TO BE REDEEMED.

THE \$500,000 HARTFORD, PROVIDENCE AND FISKVILLE BONDS HELD BY HARTFORD, PAYABLE OCT. 1—BAD FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

HARTFORD, Aug. 12.—The City Treasurer sent a communication to the Common Council to-night that he had been officially notified by the agent of the New-York and New-England Railroad Company that the bonds of the Hartford, Providence and Fiskville Railroad, amounting to \$500,000, and held by the City, would be paid Oct. 1, and the interest cease from that date. The matter was referred to the City Attorney and the Committee on Ways and Means. The position of this matter is very peculiar and excites much interest. The bonds of the railroad were issued in 1856, to run 20 years, bearing 7 per cent. interest. The City, in exchange, issued its own bonds for \$500,000, to run the same time, bearing 6 per cent. interest. In 1876 default was made in the railroad bonds. The city took up its issue and made new bonds to run 13 years at the same rate of interest as the old. In the meantime a sinking fund was provided to pay the bonds at maturity, and it now amounts to \$248,000. The New-York and New-England Road claim this fund, being an offset, as they say, to the bonds they paid, and their view is by many believed to be correct. The city will therefore, get \$252,000, and pay back \$248,000. The City will have to pay interest on its own bonds for 11 more years, amounting to \$30,000 a year. The whole thing, as it stands, is a puzzle. The City's position is very strong. The City has a balance of interest of 1 per cent. in the exchange of the bonds in favor of the city, and the new bonds would have to be made to the new bonds of 1876 payable at its option, instead of binding itself to a limit which the holders will insist upon.

THE YELLOW FEVER PLAGUE.

THE DISEASE SPREADING AT NEW-ORLEANS—OVER ONE HUNDRED CASES AT GRENADE, MISS.—A PANIC IN MEMPHIS AND VICKSBURG.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

NEW-ORLEANS, Aug. 12.—Thirty-one new cases of yellow fever are reported to-day, and 12 deaths. Among the recent deaths is that of Rev. Mr. Davidson, a Jewish Rabbi, aged 39 years. The Board of Health continue their collaboration, and point to a decrease of the disease as the result. The Havana Association advises for 15 experienced nurses to go to Grenada, Miss. It is understood that physicians will also be sent to Grenada.

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SEQUEL TO THE GREAT WAR.

THE BOSNIAN STRUGGLE AGAINST RACE.

PROGRESS OF THE AUSTRIAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION—ALBANIAN JOINING THE INSURGENTS—OUTBREAK IN HERZEGOVINA.

VIENNA, Aug. 12.—The following information has been received from the commander of the Seventh Austrian Army Division in Bosnia: The town of Travnik was occupied by the troops on Sunday, and communication with Banjalaka was completely restored. In the engagements at Varcavak and Jaisce 7 officers and 160 men were wounded.

The Political Correspondence announces that a defile of Mohammedan fanatics has occurred at Livno, in Herzegovina. The Turkish commandant was killed. The troops made common cause with the insurgents, and marched with them on Shopile.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 12.—Advices from Bosnia represent that the men of the Albanian contingent of the Turkish Army are joining the insurgents.

PESH, Aug. 12.—Premier Tisza, in addition to his election by Pest-Georgy, has been returned from Schenitz.

VIENNA, Aug. 13.—A Vienna dispatch to the Times says official intelligence has just been received that the insurgents are evacuating the defile of Frank, where a formidable resistance was expected, and are retreating to Seret.

If this news be correct, there will be no obstacle to a junction of the forces of the Emperor's army with the troops of the Government of Wurtemberg, who are at Travnik. The decisive conflict will probably be at Seret, where the Austrians hope to enter on the 18th inst.

A Venice dispatch says that the Greek Minister of Foreign Affairs held a long interview with King Humbert to-day.

RUSSIAN GARRISONS IN TURKEY.

PREPARATIONS FOR EVACUATION OF SAN STEFANO AND OTHER POINTS—BATUM NOT YET OCCUPIED.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 12.—The embarkation of 40,000 of the Imperial Guard for Russia commences on Saturday. The withdrawal of the rest of the Russian troops from San Stefano and the neighborhood of Gallipoli will follow immediately, and the Turkish troops will occupy the positions as fast as they are evacuated.

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THE RUSSIAN MOVEMENT IN ASIA.

SIGNIFICANCE OF APPOINTING A REPRESENTATIVE IN CABUL.

PARIS, Aug. 12.—The Monitor says: "Russia has sent Gen. Abramofski as its accredited representative to Cabul, the capital of Northern Afghanistan. The Monitor regards this as grave news, in view of the unsatisfactory relations between Shere Ali and the British Government and of the Russian advance toward Afghanistan."

PARIS, Aug. 12.—The Indian Government has received information confirming the report of the arrival of a Russian mission at Cabul. The Russian mission is composed of General Abramofski and a number of officers. The Russian mission is composed of General Abramofski and a number of officers.

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SANITARY CONDITION OF CYPRUS.

CONFLICTING STATEMENTS ON THE SUBJECT—THE QUESTION OF A CAPITAL.

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for today, in this region, clear or partly cloudy weather, light variable winds, mostly southerly, stationary temperature, with stationary or lower pressure.

It is the opinion of the leading Democratic organ that the Republicans ought not to complain of Democratic frauds by Returning Boards, because they have themselves been accused, by the Democrats of cheating by the same means. The plea is more impudent than ingenious. One would suppose that the fairer way of putting the case would be that the Democrats ought to be especially ashamed of using an instrument of fraud & alleged to belong solely to the Republicans. However that may be, no like retort can be made regarding the way in which the Republican vote has been suppressed in the Black Belt in Alabama, as described by our Huntsville correspondent this morning. In this instance, the methods employed are the time-honored and peculiarly Democratic ones which have been in vogue ever since the negro had, or ought to have had, a vote. Theoretically the rights of the negro or the white & Republican are admitted; practically they are denied him. Wrangling the technicalities of the law to serve their own ends, the Democrats prevent the language of the law to confer on them. In any Western State such an abuse would be regarded as monstrous, but, as the old French proverb has it, "the absent are always in the wrong," and the facts regarding Alabama Republicans may not be considered worth the attention of their more fortunate Northern brothers. Why should we cast a shadow on the placid faith in the complete conciliation of the South for such a trifle as the robbery of a few thousand black men's votes?

So far as the general reader can judge from the opinion of Mr. WHITNEY, the Corporation Counsel, the refusal of the Board of Estimate to allow New-York bonds to be issued for the East River Bridge is unsound in law. That being the case, it is without excuse. The bridge has now been advanced so far toward completion that it is mere wasteful obstructiveness to withhold the aid which the City is bound by law to give it. The only way in which any return can be got from the money already invested is to finish the work, and delay which is illegal can only add to the total burden of the City.

Mr. BUTLER broadly intimated yesterday that he would be very much obliged to Mr. Senator MATTHEWS if the latter would step on his Representative coat-tail and refuse to appear before the Potter committee on some ground involving an issue between the Senate and the House. In that case Mr. BUTLER was free to hint that he would make it extremely uncomfortable, not only for the particular Senator in question, but for the entire august body of which he is a member. But we are afraid that Mr. BUTLER's appetite for a quarrel will, in this instance, be unsatisfied. Mr. STANLEY MATTHEWS is quite as shrewd as Mr. BUTLER, and not any more scrupulous, and he will be the last man to force a fight, or to allow one to be forced upon him. At the same time, if he has any regard for the fragment of reputation which may be left him, he will not make his dodging of the Potter committee, before which very serious charges have been made against him, too persistent or too obvious.

It is to be hoped that the new regulations which Messrs. THOMPSON and SHEPARD are to issue regarding the importation of dutiable goods by naval or other officers of the Government will be sufficiently clear and distinct to put an end to the scandals which have long been current regarding this matter. Probably we shall never get rid of smuggling, in this fashion and in many more common, until the Customs laws are greatly relaxed and duties at

once made lower and more reasonable, but in the meantime the best that the Government can do is to watch its own servants at least as closely as it does the general traveler. There is a very widely-received notion that any one in the employ of the Government has in some sort a right to evade the payment of duties, an impression which probably springs from the feeling that the Government officials and the traveler are natural foes, and that the officials will always help each other, however fierce they may be toward others. And this impression is only too often confirmed by observation. Perhaps a rigid enforcement of the Customs laws in the case of officials would help to secure the repeal of some of their most absurd and irritating features.

Nearly four hundred mechanics are thrown out of employment in Milwaukee in consequence of what seems to be an inexcusable misunderstanding between the workmen and the managers of the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway. The wages of some of the men were reduced without warning or explanation. This created dissatisfaction and general commotion, the men naturally standing by each other. The workmen held a meeting, at which were passed resolutions designed to bridge over the threatened difficulty, but these resolutions, when engrossed, were sent to the managers in such a way that they were not received until it had been decided to "look out" all who participated in the proceedings of the men. It is now explained that the reduction affected only the wages of a few employees, that it was designed to equalize the pay of the force, and that the saving was only about \$200 a week—too slight to justify the belief that it was made for the purpose of reducing running expenses. This is a fair specimen of the mismanagement which results in strikes. If the railroad people had met their employees, man-fashion, and had explained the state of the case, or if the men had sent an intelligent and fair-speaking deputation to the managers, with their statement of the case, the loss and bitterness of a strike or lock-out might have been averted.

GEN. BUTLER'S GAME.

Some weeks ago, when Gen. BUTLER was coyly professing to have no political purposes and to be uninformed and comparatively indifferent regarding matters in Massachusetts, we ventured, out of our knowledge of the man and of his motives and methods, as evinced in his past exploits in the politics of the Bay State and his recent attitude and utterances elsewhere, to trace his real designs in the coming campaign. It seemed to us tolerably plain that it was not for nothing that he had been endeavoring to make himself the champion of all the dissatisfied and discontented elements, at the same time artfully striving to increase their number by encouraging and promoting the discontent, and that he was fomenting discord and division in the party with which he had long been acting for favor with its enemies, with some end in view. And we may be sure that the ends he aims at are always his own and not his country's, his God's, or truth's. As the time for active preparation for the State canvass in Massachusetts draws near, our opinion of the astute demagogue's designs is more and more justified. He has been neither ignorant nor unconcerned in regard to what was going on. While putting others forward to make the necessary moves and trying to have it appear that he had nothing to do with the machine by which the game was played, all the wiles of the automaton have been under his control. Like all jugglers, he has had his confederates, but they are moved by his will and not their own. He may have had some hesitation at first about playing the game out for which he was making secret preparations, and for that reason desired for a while to keep in the background and be ready to walk unconcernedly away as if it were no affair of his. But if so, it was only because he was calculating the chances of success and studying the conditions of the play, anxious to avoid a losing game. He is one of those who play to win and take no desperate chances.

Evidently he has seen no occasion to abandon his plans, and he is gradually coming more boldly to the front. He has shrewdly managed so that he is now considered as the one man who can unite and lead the forces of the discontented. In past years Massachusetts has been a State of many parties. There have been Prohibitionists who scorned all alliances that required the acceptance of more than one idea; there have been Women Suffragists, who were ready for any alliance that promised an increase of votes; there have been two separate and independent Labor Reform organizations; and for two or three years past there has been a goodly handful of very active Greenbackers. Now, for the first time since the war, there are but three parties in Massachusetts, the Republicans, the Democrats, and Gen. BUTLER. The latter has comprehended all the "vagrom" factions and is himself the third party. In his speech at Biddeford, Me., last Friday, he for the first time detached himself avowedly from his old associations. He has found out at last—it took a long time for a man of his sagacity—that "ever since the war the only thing the Republican Party has been at work for is to see how it can protect itself." As he does not believe in protecting capital, of course he regards this as a very bad business, and will have no more to do with the Republican Party. He is preparing to run as an independent candidate for Governor, and there is no longer much attempt at concealment of his purposes. Why does he desire to be Governor of Massachusetts? It is not a very exalted position for a man of his pretensions. But he tried once to reach it through the nomination of the Republican Party, and it would not have him for its candidate. He attempted it a second time, and made a strenuous fight, and again he was cast out. Since then he has had a new motive for that peculiar ambition of his to preside in state beneath the gilded dome on Beacon Hill. He has been determined on revenge, and has fed his ancient grudge against the leaders who defeated him and the Boston Brahmins who denounced him as unfit for official position.

For five years, one of the eyes at least of the Lowell politician has been fixed steadily on that gilded dome, his political beacon on the hill where the old Puritan light-house

stood, and he sees, or thinks he sees, the goal within his reach. Those who imagine that he so miscalculates as to expect that he is to be borne thither by the beggarly rout of the independent factions are greatly mistaken. He knows better than that, but they give him the nucleus of a party, bound together by the strong tether of Butlerism. But outside of their motley ranks there are not a few Butler Republicans, and, strange as it may seem, a considerable number of Butler Democrats. The shrewd old tactician took pains to declare at Biddeford that he had never given up a Democratic idea since he was of the strictest sect of that faith, and it is not the first time that he has thrown out a hint that he was as good a Democrat at heart as when he voted for JEFF. DAVIS in the Baltimore Convention. He counts on holding a certain number of Republican friends, who have long been devoted to him personally and politically, but does he expect to secure the Democratic nomination? That would be a trump card, and possibly a game-winner. Is there even a possibility that he may secure it? Why not? When has the Democratic Party shown any object but that of getting into power by any means that promised even a half-way success? Did they not in Massachusetts, at a critical period of the war, accept Gen. DEVENS as a candidate in the hope of beating Gov. ANDREW, and in 1876 did they not allow TILDEN to dictate the nomination of CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, who was distasteful to more of them than BUTLER is to-day? Did they not once, in a larger and vastly more important contest, take up one of their most malignant enemies as a candidate for President? Let Gen. BUTLER give the Democrats of Massachusetts a reasonable assurance of success, and of a fair distribution of the fruits of success, and they will accept him as their candidate with scarcely a wry face. That this is part of the game there is little reason to doubt, and on it largely depends the chance of winning. Whether, if that point is scored, the result will be assured depends on various conditions not yet developed. The Republican Party will have to be counted in the contest to follow.

THE SAVINGS BANKS.

Probably a great part of the fraud and disaster which have characterized the management, in recent years, of the savings banks of the country may have arisen from an unnoticed perversion of those institutions from the normal idea. Originally, a savings bank was understood to be a benevolent establishment. These banks are coeval with the present century; only the slightest traces of anything of the kind are noticeable before 1800. In the first decade of this century the first savings banks were created in Europe, and the model was soon reproduced in this country, though some of FRANKLIN'S counsels and devices to encourage economy may well be deemed an early germ. But the ideal in all the earlier forms was benevolent. No notion of profit or compensation to managers was involved. The Trustees were regarded as acting from motives of public spirit and philanthropy. They gave their time and services in view of the good to be done, in the same manner as Trustees of a hospital are understood to labor from an interest in promoting the public health, or Trustees of a college, from enthusiasm in education, or Trustees of a church, from love of religion. They did not draw salaries, or divide profits. They managed the funds of the depositors according to their best judgment, and from motives of benevolence. There has been a great departure from this ideal in the practice during recent years.

THREATS AND HARD WORDS.

It is possible that the rhodomontade with which the orators of the Labor Party are so lavishly may captivate the mass of working men. But this seems incredible. The Anglo-Saxon, wherever he is found, has a trick of digesting slowly everything he hears, though he may seem to swallow it at first without a question. If the discontented laborer thinks at all, he must wake up, by and by, to the conviction that the Kearneys, Cohens, and Drury's offer him no remedy for the ills which they so vividly depict, and which he so bitterly realizes. One of the speakers at the labor mass-meeting in Brooklyn the other night, said: "The Labor Party is pre-eminently a party of constructive thought." This must have been put forth with the desperate notion that some such sham would divert the attention of serious men from the fact that the Labor Party is nothing of the sort. It is not a party of constructive thought; it is pre-eminently destructive in its tendencies and aims. Like the so-called "liberal" theologians, its leaders are glib enough when telling what they do not believe; but, when asked to tell what they do believe, they are dumb. It is easy to say that this, that, and the other shall be abolished. But the test of a real reform is in the measures which are to supplant the old order of things.

Just now the Labor Party is rich only in epithets. These, and the glittering generalities of such swashbucklers as KEARNEY, constitute their whole stock in trade. The general cry is that the present order of society must be abolished. But what is proposed in its stead? There are innumerable declarations of the intention of the laboring man "to secure his rights." But what are his rights, and how is he to secure them? One man, who reduces his proposition to a single term, says, "Labor created all wealth, therefore labor should enjoy the products of its efforts." This, at least, is tangible, but no man has ventured to tell us how this desirable end is to be reached. The laboring men are told to awake and arise in their might, to assert their manhood, to strike down the usurper, to rebuke the devourer, and trample the despoiler under foot. But all this is empty rhetoric. Of what use is it, unless the orator puts before his audience some coherent system of action by which the end is to be achieved, some plan which the auditor can carry away with him and turn over in his mind, after his ruminating Anglo-Saxon fashion.

It is a bitter error to suppose that the majority of our fellow-citizens do not sympathize with the laboring men in their griefs. It is an error not to comprehend, also, that many men who are supposed to be hostile to the laboring class, and unmindful of their woes, are moved to pity by that fellow-feeling which makes us wondrous kind. The pressure which compels the laborer to cry out is borne in silence by another class of men who would help him if they could. But the sympathies of such men are alienated by the brutality, treachery, and vituperation of the leaders of the working men. Why should bondholders be called "lecherous"? Is this a quality which is peculiar to bondholders? Why should the press be denounced as the tool of tyranny and the organ of "slimy, serpent-like imps of hell"? This is simply empty rubbish, for everybody knows that the demagogues are in mortal terror of the newspapers, and that the very first thing which a political usurper does, after grasping power, is to abolish a free press. But it would seem as if the men who are trying to build themselves up on the sorrows of others fancy that abuse and denunciation will suffice for practical measures. Let the candid reader take the speech of any of these noisy fellows and endeavor to find in it one suggestion of something to be done. He will find a plenty of billingsgate, some threatenings, and a vast amount of rubbish about Labor being crowned King, but not anything which bears the faintest resemblance to a remedy for present ills.

It is high time that the working men should discover the fraud which many of their would-be leaders are putting upon them. The discouraging feature of the case is that many men are so tickled with the hard words launched at their fancied

enemies that they trust their own contented. The violently abusive speakers only say what many others have been thinking—that the prosperous are the oppressors of the unprosperous, that the rich man profits by and maintains an unjust condition of society. All this may be granted, but why should we not have a practical remedy suggested by those who are so ready to denounce existing evils? A violent revolution and the confiscation of all existing forms of material wealth would only entail general ruin and distress. Where is the peaceful and lawful remedy for present distress to be found? Is the favorite boast of such demagogues as those who spoke at Brooklyn last week that "the working men understand this question as well as any of the Representatives in Congress." This might be true without a violent invasion of the possibilities. But if it is so, why do not the working men, or their orators, give us something besides threats and hard words?

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But a late decision of the Supreme Court of the United States sets in a strong light the iniquity and illegality of any device for dividing any profits of a savings bank among its managers. It seems that in 1870 Congress incorporated the National Union Savings Bank in Washington. It was organized and went into operation, and was, so far as the decision in question shows, faithfully and properly conducted. But at length one of the incorporators and managers, HUNTINGTON by name, died, and his family brought a suit to have a share of the profits of the bank set apart for them in virtue of Mr. HUNTINGTON'S co-operation in the management. The court has decided that such a claim is wholly unfounded. A savings bank is not a commercial partnership. It is founded in a benevolent purpose to furnish a safe depository for the money of depositors. It is like a corporation of church-wardens formed for preserving the property of the parish, or a college of surgeons organized to promote medical science, and is founded in expectation of public advantage, without any pecuniary interest in its managers. The family of Mr. HUNTINGTON could claim nothing from the profits, because he himself had no such right. The primary idea of a savings bank is that it is an institution managed by disinterested persons, the entire profits of which, after deducting necessary expenses of business, accrue, in dividends or in a surplus, to the benefit of the depositors.

The effect of this decision, if it is acquiesced in by State courts having control over savings banks, as it doubtless will be, must be most salutary and important. Not only will it tend to restore the management of existing solvent banks to the proper principle, but Receivers and those charged with the winding up of the rotten institutions which have failed have here a ground to review the transactions of the past, and compel a refund of reservations which Managers and Trustees may have made in their own favor. Let us have these savings bank Trustees called to account.

JEALOUSY AND TEETH.

A jealous man with a pretty wife who will flirt is in a very unenviable condition. Of what use is it for him to forbid her to go to this or that place, or to speak to such and such young men? Either she will boldly refuse to obey him, or she will promise only to deceive. To watch her day and night is manifestly impossible. The husband must occasionally go down town, and the moment his back is turned the wife is at liberty. He may hire a man to watch her in his absence, but as the man who can be hired to watch a wife is necessarily open to bribery, he will certainly be bribed by the wife or her friends. The Turk is enabled to calm his jealousy by keeping his wives locked up; but there is no American wife living who, if locked up in the third-story back-room, could not contrive to escape within fifteen minutes after her husband's departure from the house. Among certain tribes of savages, the husband breaks his wife's nose, or in some other equally effective way renders her no longer attractive to young men; but these wretched heathen have never heard of the proverb concerning the folly of biting off—or otherwise disfiguring—one's wife's nose in order to spite one's personal foe. If some association of philanthropic business men were to fit up a safe-deposit office, where wives could be left whenever their husbands are absent from home, jealous men could feel a reasonable confidence in the permanence of their domestic happiness; but the experiment is yet to be tried.

Various crude and unsatisfactory schemes for the prevention of flirting on the part of married women have been tried from time to time. There was a man in Iowa who cut off his wife's beautiful yellow hair on the pretext that it was a vain and unwholesome adornment of her person, but really in order to prevent her from receiving visitors until the hair should grow again. This, however, seriously impaired the wife's value, and was merely a modification of the savage

non-breeding proverb. Another man—a "Chicago" person—constantly spread abroad rumors that his wife was suffering from diphtheria or scarlet fever; but finding that there were young men who could not be thus terrified, he finally contrived to have her inoculated with the small-pox. For about a week he enjoyed the success of his ingenious plan, but at the end of that time his wife died, putting him to the expense of a funeral and the annoyance of being without a wife for nearly five months.

The most noteworthy plan which was ever devised for enforcing marital faithfulness was that tried by a Californian residing in Benicia. Two years ago he married a widow of remarkable beauty and a well-earned reputation for flirting. She had never been accused of any really immoral act—such as sleeping with a poor man or an impostor—but being extremely fond of admiration and society she was the centre of a group of young men who were currently said to bask in her smiles, though there is a difference of opinion among scientific authorities as to what constitutes basking.

The latest husband of this charming woman is a man of a particularly jealous disposition, and his acquaintances prophesied that the widow would drive him in a very brief time after the honeymoon. He was well aware of the difficulties of his position, but calmly determined to prevent his wife from flirting, and was strengthened in that determination by the open pity which his friends expressed for him. It so happened that he had learned, through some occult source, that the widow's teeth, which were marvelously beautiful, were false. He was the only human being in Benicia who possessed this terrible secret, and he felt well assured that it would enable him to repress all flirting tendencies on the part of his future bride. The honeymoon was passed in traveling from place to place in the State of California, and no opportunity was given to the wife to indulge her fondness for society other than that of her husband. On the very first morning after the pair returned to Benicia the husband rose early, put his wife's entire set of teeth in his pocket, and coolly informed her that hereafter he should never leave her alone without taking her teeth with him. Tears, entreaties, and threats had no effect upon him, and he carried off the teeth, remarking as he went out of the door that it was his duty as a husband to guard her from the approaches of designing men and to thus prevent any shadow of discord from blighting their married happiness.

For the next three months that unhappy wife was never seen apart from her husband. Scores of young men who called upon her in his absence were politely told that she was not at home. Obviously, this was the only course which she could pursue. Every day when her husband went to business he carried her teeth with him; and she would sooner have died than have shown herself in a toothless state. Every evening her teeth were restored to her and she was permitted to receive calls in her husband's presence. The whole town was lost in wonder at her absolute cessation of flirting, and hundreds of husbands were ready to offer unlimited wealth to learn how she had been so completely subjugated.

Last week, while the husband, with the teeth in his pocket, was about to leave his place of business and to return home, a note from his wife was put into his hands. It informed him that, weary of his intolerable cruelty, she had eloped. The companion of her flight was a man, both of whose legs had been shot away. "We have offset my teeth against his legs," said the note, "and we can overlook each other's peculiarities." By this time the guilty pair are on their way to the East, where cork legs and false teeth can be had at a few days' notice, and the deserted husband is convinced that to keep a willful woman from flirting is beyond the power of man.

The peace of Europe seems fated to be disturbed again before it is well re-established, and this time in the West and East simultaneously. A fresh war—for the Bosnian insurrection in its present form is nothing less—has commenced in Turkey, and Russia is making a new movement, from their geographical position, and from the valuable mines of rubies and lapis-lazuli which they contain. It will be remembered that this territory became a subject of dispute between England and Russia in November, 1875, immediately previous to the advance upon Khiva, and that several of the leading English journals warmly advocated its immediate occupation by British troops, in the interest of the Ameer of Afghanistan, Sher Ali, who was then a kind of nominal ruler, eighty over it. This fact gives to the movement, as Russia's first open interference with Afghanistan, the unmistakable character of a practical retort for the annexation of Cyprus and the threatened land to make good her threats of six years ago. Whether or not the challenge will be accepted, remains to be seen.

When the Tribune copies our despatches and credits them to its "special correspondent," as it did yesterday with reference to the Wallingford matter, and the kind of newspaper geographical errors of the original. As the greater remarked to the thief, "You'd better wear a longer coat, or steal a shorter doublet, next time."

It appears from an American Socialist extra, which has been extensively circulated, that one reporter of the Utica Morning Herald has visited the Onondaga Community, and has interviewed Mr. HINDS, the editor of the Socialist, who visited Utica, possibly for that purpose. The result is that Mr. HINDS admits that there is some truth in the recent statements of the correspondent of THE TIMES, but insists that they are somewhat exaggerated, and particularly denies that the Community is in any danger of dissolution. This he deduced from our correspondent, who, on further investigation, found abundant reasons for arriving at a different conclusion. The defection of the younger Novas is admitted, but it is denied that he ever tried to create dissensions. It is noticeable that Mr. HINDS evades giving a direct answer to the query whether some of the younger members have been denied to our correspondent, who, on further investigation, found abundant reasons for arriving at a different conclusion. The defection of the younger Novas is admitted, but it is denied that he ever tried to create dissensions. It is noticeable that Mr. HINDS evades giving a direct answer to the query whether some of the younger members have been denied to our correspondent, who, on further investigation, found abundant reasons for arriving at a different conclusion.

peers to have talked with less freedom to the reporter of the Herald than to our own correspondent. As to the editorial comments of the Herald, it is not worth while to trouble ourselves with mere differences of opinion. But it must be well understood that it is still great, and that Communism is on the wane everywhere, as respects special organizations. Icaria and New-Harmony are two instances in point, and the practical withdrawal from Wallingford, Conn., by the Novas Communists is another symptom of decay that is worth noting.

The much talked of Dr. FUSEY, (EDWARD BOUYER), who created such a commotion, years ago, in ecclesiastical circles of England, and who was so rigorously denounced for his attempt, as it was called, to Romanize the Established Church, is thought by many persons to be dead, because, no doubt, very little is now said in the newspapers either of him or of the special theories named after him. He is, however, very much alive, and as anxious as ever to carry back the Church of England to the (imagined) period when there was no difference between its doctrines and those of the Papal See. He is now 78, and is confident that the time is not distant when Ritualism will prevail throughout the Established Church, and he still holds to his old belief, that the "Mother Church" will yet be reconciled. He is assuredly possessed of extraordinary hopes. The average Briton usually has a supreme dread of Catholicism, and is convinced that the Pope and the Devil are at least cousins-german. He has nightmare dreams of the irrepressible mischief Rome may do to our British Constitution, and not unfrequently starts from his sleep, imagining that the two personages mentioned have got possession of his country, will bind it hand and foot, and hand it over to perdition. FUSEY'S sermon on the "Holy Eucharist," preached at Oxford 35 years ago, made a hubbub that has not yet quieted. Many orthodox persons blame him for not embracing Romanism openly and avowedly, and declaring that to his only consistent course; while many others regard him as a sort of emissary of Satan, who has done his utmost to destroy true religion—meaning, of course, the particular creed which they happen to favor.

The story goes that the engagement of Princess THESE to Prince LOUIS NAPOLEON was materially helped by the consideration that the ex-Empress EUGENIE is very rich, her fortune being estimated at \$7,000,000 to \$8,000,000. CHRISTIAN IX. of Denmark has been one of the poorest of sovereigns, especially since his little Kingdom has been ruled and spoiled by Prince and Princess, and he has therefore, to look out for good matches for his children. He, or rather his wife, Queen LOUISE, reputed to be one of the ablest match-makers in Europe, has looked out vigilantly and to the purpose. She has certainly married off her family to advantage. Her eldest son is the husband of LOUISE, daughter of CHARLES XV., King of Sweden and Norway, and the second son, Prince GUSTAV, is married to OLGA, Grand Duchess of Russia. Her third son, Prince WALDEMAR, is not yet 20, and a callate only by reason of his youth. His mamma has a keen eye, it is said, to his connubial interests, and he can trust to her management with perfect faith in her power of accomplishment. The eldest daughter, ALEXANDRA, as everybody knows, is married to the Prince of Wales, and the second daughter, DAVIDA, is wife of the Czarowitz, so that they will be, if they live, Queen of England and Empress of Russia. The sole child now to dispose of is a daughter, Princess THESE. The Copenhagen gossip says that Queen LOUISE is very sorry she has not another daughter for the just-wedded King of Sweden, and that she regrets that Prince GUSTAV is not a son. He is a fair sample, royal match-makers are altogether superior to those of the common kind. Should her wedded sons and daughters not be able to do the handsome thing for her, she might set up a school for arranging marriages, basing her instruction on her great successes. She must have learned wisdom by experience, and she must have had the most successful management to perfection. She could make money by teaching her system, and might impart it in a course of twelve easy lessons. There are many mothers in this country who would pay very liberally to be instructed by Queen LOUISE.

A good deal has been said of what will be the good the churches in the neighborhood of Sixth-avenue when the elevated trains run on Sunday. The assertion has been made that the fashionable churches in Fifth-avenue will not be able to hold service. However that may be, the churches on and near the line of the road will certainly be obliged, so to speak, to shut up shop. Dr. TAYLOR, for example, corner of Fourth and Second streets, will have to be able to make himself heard with the cars thundering before his doors than with a canary piping under a tremendous tornado. His fate is incontrovertibly sealed. He must either preach in dumb show, or find another pulpit. Looking at the question secularly, how are Booth's and the Lyceum Theatres to manage their seasons of the new plays, if the cars are to be so near? The Lyceum, for example, is a fair sample, royal match-makers are altogether superior to those of the common kind. Should her wedded sons and daughters not be able to do the handsome thing for her, she might set up a school for arranging marriages, basing her instruction on her great successes. She must have learned wisdom by experience, and she must have had the most successful management to perfection. She could make money by teaching her system, and might impart it in a course of twelve easy lessons. There are many mothers in this country who would pay very liberally to be instructed by Queen LOUISE.

One among the many advantages of the city over the country, at this season, is its freedom in most of the upper and breezy parts, from mosquitoes which are apt to be numerous and annoying out of town, especially in New-Jersey and on Long Island. Not mosquitoes alone infest the country, but myriads of other pests of every description, and the city is a refuge from them. In the majority of country houses, the windows have to be closed at nightfall, and if a lamp be lighted without such precaution, all kinds of winged pests, including the ever-detested and detestable mosquito, swarm in and render anything like comfort impossible. Do what one may, they cannot be kept out. Across every open window, and under every door, they come in. The insects fly into the flame every moment, and make reading or seeing such a bother that darkness is usually preferred. In the city we can sit with open windows by gas or other light, and read as long as we like without the least disturbance, or we can lie in bed with the windows open, and sleep as soundly as the tags which the country cannot furnish, as people who go thither each Summer are constantly discovering, causing them to doubt often, if on the whole, the town be not the more desirable.

The literary partnership of ERECKMAN-CHARTIAN has not been carried to its present prosperity without many disappointments and discouragements. Their example should encourage young men who are anxious to be authors, and who delude themselves with the notion that they can do nothing else. Both born in what is now the German District of Elise-Loehringen, and was then Alsace and Lorraine, the former, son of a bookbinder, and the latter, a tailor, began as tanners at the College of Phalaris. There they met, when ERECKMAN was 25 and CHARTIAN 21, and decided to write together. They both went to the French capital, and set to work resolutely. Their first manuscript was refused by all the newspapers. Then they wrote novels and plays, and got some of them before the public, but had so little success that they could not see their way out of the life in the most drab fashion—that they relinquished literature, ERECKMAN going back to law and CHARTIAN getting a place in the Eastern Railway. The elder friend was 37 and the younger 33 when they published *L'Homme Douceur*, and made a last bid for their novels followed, and soon brought them into prominence, and what was better, rendered them independent. The secret of their reputation is that they have described what they have seen and what they know. *Le Comte et Waterloo*, two of their best books, are largely laid among scenes they had been personally familiar with, and the characters are given from life, and are not the mere puppets of a mere picturesque, nor poetic, but they are true to nature, and full of details of common life, which always make a charm if it be fairly

fully portrayed. They had written 15 years before their readers knew that they were two men. The double name had been supposed to be the name of a single author. The loss of Alsace and Lorraine, and is still great, and that Communism is on the wane everywhere, as respects special organizations. Icaria and New-Harmony are two instances in point, and the practical withdrawal from Wallingford, Conn., by the Novas Communists is another symptom of decay that is worth noting.

So few persons, comparatively, who pass up and down Broadway know, or recollect if they have known, that ALEXANDER HAMILTON is buried in Trinity Churchyard, that the inscription on his tomb seems satirical. This reads:

"The Soldier of incontestable integrity, The Soldier of approved valor, The Statesman of consummate wisdom, Whose talents and virtues will be remembered by posterity."

Long after this marble shall have moldered into dust. He died July 12, 1804, aged 47. One of the very foremost of his era, one of the founders of our national independence, he of whom TALLEYRAND said: "I have known nearly all the marked men of my time, but I have never known one on the whole equal to HAMILTON," it would be strange, if not so common, that the City should forget the place of his grave. Many persons think he was a native American. He was born on the Island of Nevis, (West Indies), his father being a Scotch merchant and his mother the daughter of a French Huguenot named FAVETTIE. A few days since a journalist, who is fond of visiting the noted spots of New-York, was looking at Hamilton's monument, when a country man, evidently in search of the lions of the Metropolis, asked, (the inscription is very dim), "Whose grave is that?" "ALEXANDER HAMILTON'S," was the reply. "Who's HAMILTON?" "Don't you know who ALEXANDER HAMILTON was?" "Oh, yes, to be sure. He was one of those Tammany things."

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Michigan Greenbackers pay Samuel F. Cary \$30 a night for his services.

Balm for Banning, offered by the Cincinnati Commercial: "He might do well to run as an independent. It would be wise and timely to retire from the Democratic Party by the same hole he went in at."

The Massachusetts "Young Republicans" will meet at Worcester on Aug. 26 for conference on political matters. They are more interested in the canvass in the Congressional districts than in the Commonwealth contest.

The Boston Herald says: "If you are going in for the Governor, don't want the cost. Our ex-Governors say that they had to spend more than their salaries to meet the natural expenses of the position. All the beggars go to the Governor and Mayor."

There are 79,000 aliens in Massachusetts over 21 years of age. There are also 100,000 Irish voters. The Boston Herald thinks it not strange that "Short-hair" Fitzgerald and Pat Collins positively were "Swallow-tailed" Avery and Saltstall to the rear.

The Catholic Telegraph, edited by Archbishop Prendel, of Cincinnati, says: "We are pleased to learn that Kearney, the vilest of our Communist demagogues, is not a Catholic Irishman. He is a Protestant and an Orangeman. He is a pupil of an Orange lodge. This school can claim, without dispute, the honor of his moral and intellectual training."

The Republicans of the Fifth Illinois Congressional District held a convention at Freeport last Thursday, that fairly rivaled the famous Council Bluffs Convention of 1854. The convention was held in a hall which the various factions struck to their favorite candidates. There were four candidates, and it took 517 ballots to nominate Mr. R. M. A. Hawk. If elected, he will succeed Mr. Burdick, whose predecessor was E. B. Washburne, late Minister to France.

TOPICS OF THE SEASON.

Several large excursion parties from New-York cities have visited the different resorts on Coney Island this season, some coming by boat, others by rail, and always with happy results. The people of inland cities, whether in the Pennsylvania or elsewhere, can find no more pleasant spot at which to enjoy the pleasures of surf-bathing than along the historic

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UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—*Olivia*.—Miss Fanny
 Seymour, Miss Linda Price, Mr. Charles Taylor,
 Mr. C. A. Stevenson, Mr. Edwin Price.
GILMORE'S GARDEN.—*Scenes from Faust*.—The
 odore Thomas and orchestra.
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 for \$1 per month.

The Signal Service Bureau report indicates
 for to-day, in this region, warmer, partly
 cloudy weather and occasional rain, variable
 winds, mostly southerly, stationary or lower
 pressure.

The speech of Senator THURMAN at Ham-
 ilton, Ohio, last evening, was characteristic
 of his later methods—since he has had the
 Presidential bid in his bonnet. That is to
 say, it was plausible and ingenious; the
 party press will have no trouble in calling it
 "able"; but it was, essentially, feeble and
 cowardly. Mr. THURMAN accepts the Ohio
 platform bodily, and declares that its car-
 dinal feature is the substitution of greenbacks
 for bank-notes, which he favors, and says
 that he has never opposed. We shall not
 question the Senator's consistency; we
 can only say that all his arguments for a
 sound currency must be read in favor of
 a perpetual legal-tender Government paper,
 then he has been a far weaker man than he
 has supposed. But, consistent or not, his
 present doctrine is big with danger. He
 pretends that to doubt the discretion of
 Congress in regulating the volume of the
 currency is to despair of the Government,
 and that Congress can, in any case, expand
 the national bank currency, or permit State
 bank issues, and must be trusted. But
 surely, it is more dangerous to give Congress
 a power that it can abuse directly than to
 limit it to powers that it can only abuse in-
 directly.

Senator THURMAN's own case is an in-
 stance of how perilous it is to lodge the
 regulation of the finances with the Legisla-
 ture. With a clear perception of the evils
 of irredeemable paper money, with far
 clearer comprehension than most of his
 fellow-legislators of the immense abuses to
 which such money gives rise, he has gradu-
 ally been driven to an equivocal position on
 the question, has gradually surrendered
 himself to the dictates of the wildest, most
 ignorant, and most debauched elements of
 his party. If, with his superior intelligence
 and capacity, he could not stand firm
 against the errors and illusions of partisan
 finance, what could be expected of feebler
 men? There is something very pitiable in
 his present position, but there is a grave
 warning in it as well. A man with the ca-
 pabilities of a statesman groping in the
 blind paths of the demagogue because it is
 only in those that he can hope to find favor
 with his party, gives ample evidence of the
 risk the country runs in putting its currency
 in the hands of its politicians.

Mr. KELLY announces that he will dis-
 regard the opinion of the Corporation Coun-
 sel, and refuse to issue bonds for the Brook-
 lyn Bridge. Mayor ELY does not announce
 what course he proposes to take, but is of
 the opinion that the bonds will have to be
 issued. Mr. KELLY's reasons for his position
 are absurd. It is of no consequence what
 he thinks as to the safety, the value, or the
 cost of the bridge, because the law does not
 make his action as to the bonds discretion-
 ary. He is entitled to his private opinion,
 but he has no right to disregard his official
 duty. Probably, if he could get at his real
 motives, the hostility of the Brooklyn Dem-
 ocratic managers to KELLY's political
 schemes would be found to have much more
 to do with his course than any considera-
 tions of public interest.

It is announced that Secretary SHERMAN
 will address his fellow-citizens during the
 approaching campaign in Ohio. His words
 will be awaited with great interest. In one
 sense, the Secretary of the Treasury may be
 said to be very near reumption, the grand
 avowed aim of his administration. The dis-

count on the legal-tender notes has prac-
 tically disappeared. But there are some
 difficulties still in the way in regard to
 which the Secretary may think it best to in-
 form the country. What he will do with
 his silver, and under what authority he will
 continue, if he should continue, the reissue
 of the legal tenders after reumption, are
 matters of very great general interest,
 which it is not likely that he will neglect.

The declaration of the Turkish regulars
 in favor of the Bosnian insurrection, the
 renewed outbreak at Livno, on the border
 of Herzegovina, the adhesion of the Al-
 banian mountaineers and the ever-pugna-
 cious Montenegrins, have raised the once-
 despised revolt to the rank of an actual
 war. Gen. PHILIPPOVICH will, doubtless,
 succeed in fighting his way to Sarajevo, leav-
 ing two or three hundred more men on the
 road; but he will then be little if at all
 better off than at present. Half his force,
 if not more, will be required to garrison the
 capital and other points of importance, or
 to keep open the hardly restored communi-
 cation with Banjaluka and the Austrian
 frontier, while, all around him, the native
 guerrillas will be cutting off stragglers,
 besetting reconnoitring parties, capturing
 convoys, and straitening him in every pos-
 sible way. Should the struggle be prolonged,
 as seems quite possible, the experience of
 the Turks in Montenegro may suggest at
 what a cost of blood and treasure Austria
 will match herself with that most formi-
 dable of all enemies, which is at once every-
 where and nowhere, and while it is not
 constantly striking, is too impalpable to be
 struck in return.

THE CONTEST AGAINST CORPORATIONS.

Underneath the complaints of working
 men against what they regard as the op-
 pression of capital there is a strong feel-
 ing of hostility, not unmingled with fear,
 toward the vast power that has grown up
 in the hands of great corporations, and es-
 pecially those that control the principal
 lines of internal communication. This
 feeling is by no means confined to what is
 generally called the laboring class. A
 large part of the community is beginning
 to look upon this concentration of enormous
 wealth under the control of a few men as
 fraught with danger, and to apprehend
 that the time is at hand when vigor-
 ous measures to resist or curtail their
 growing power will have to be adopted.
 Not only the interests of labor, but those of
 trade and the public well-being, seem likely
 to be arrayed at no distant day against the
 oligarchy of railroad magnates. Nobody
 denies the advantages of the association of
 capital for the purpose of inaugurating and
 carrying on great enterprises, but under the
 conditions that have thus far prevailed, it
 has resulted in placing in the hands of a
 few persons or small combinations an influ-
 ence and strength that threaten to become
 irresistible. Some of the consequences are
 certainly inconsistent with the just rights
 and the material welfare of the public. A
 few large stockholders are enabled to direct
 these great corporate bodies mainly in their
 own interest, and to disregard alike the
 rights and claims of the smaller proprietors
 and those of the citizens who have granted
 them franchises and privileges, to be exer-
 cised with some reference to the public
 good. This may in some measure account
 for embezzlements and irregularities long
 continued with impunity. It is this same
 control of great franchises and vast prop-
 erties by a few men that has made the op-
 eration of stock-watering possible, whereby
 the few profit at the expense of the many.
 Out of it have grown disastrous speculations,
 mischievous combinations, and the injury
 of all the interests of commerce as well as
 labor.

For many years railroad managers have
 been able to exert an enormous influence
 upon the markets by their control of the in-
 ternal carrying trade; they have played
 fast and loose with rates and charges, have
 crushed opposition and rivalry, have dis-
 tributed almost at will the foreign com-
 merce of the country by giving direction,
 according to agreements among themselves,
 to the transportation of merchandise, and
 have used their power with little regard for
 anything but an increase of their own
 power and wealth. Moreover, they have had
 their corrupting emissaries in every Legisla-
 ture, to mold the laws to their own wishes,
 have used their money and their control
 over property and labor in local politics,
 and have even aspired to share with the
 chosen agents of the people the prerogative
 of administering the Government of the
 country. The laborers in their employ, the
 small shareholders in the property which they
 manage, and even the public from which they
 draw their patronage and their re-
 sources, have come to feel that a power has
 been established against which it is almost
 useless to contend. People are beginning
 to ask where this thing will end, and to
 make up their mind that there must be a
 struggle to regain the mastery, or a few
 huge corporations will practically control
 the affairs of the country.

What restrictions are to be devised, and
 how are they to be applied and en-
 forced? Great Britain, monarchical
 and aristocratic as she is, has already
 taught us a lesson in this matter in
 some of her more recent corporation laws,
 and taken steps to reduce the association of
 capital to its legitimate sphere. The two
 cardinal points in the policy suggested by
 her legislation are, a limitation of the num-
 ber of shares to be held by one person, and
 an equal suffrage among the stockholders.
 In companies formed under these laws, the
 smallest shareholder has one vote, and the
 largest has no more. It is obvious that
 this latter provision breaks at one blow the
 power of large owners to control and direct
 at their own will and for their own profit,
 a franchise in which others are supposed to
 have rights. But are the rights in it equal?
 Is not the interest of the man who owns a
 few shares in which all his savings are in-
 vested, in the careful, economical and ef-
 ficient management of the concern really
 equal to that of him who has put some su-
 perfluous thousands in it, and are not his
 interests commensurate with his individual in-
 terest? However this question may be an-
 swered, there is scarcely a doubt that this
 equal suffrage is calculated to prevent
 some of the worst evils of the system of
 share-voting. It would make powerful
 rings and cliques impossible, and almost
 certainly enforce a policy of management

which would have due regard for the in-
 terests of all.

There is one consideration that ought to
 have weight with the American mind. This
 method of equal voting among the share-
 holders in a corporate franchise and corporate
 property is in strict analogy with the prin-
 ciples of our political system, while that of
 voting by shares and distributing suffrage
 to property and not to men, is altogether in-
 consistent with those principles. The theory,
 at least, of our Government is that
 every citizen—every person fairly and
 rightfully entitled to civic functions in the
 country—is equally with every other, con-
 cerned in the administration of the Govern-
 ment, and should have an equal share in
 civil rights and powers. Wealth and in-
 telligence have an influence and a power of
 their own, to which it is impossible to pre-
 scribe restrictions, but it is supposed that
 in the administration of general interests
 all are concerned equally. If this applies
 to governmental administration, why not to
 that of a corporate enterprise of an analog-
 ous nature? This argument necessarily
 implies that the body of voters are actual
 shareholders, to a greater or less extent, in
 the ownership, the responsibilities, and liabil-
 ities of the body corporate, and not merely
 affected in an incidental way, as is the case
 with the public at large. Whatever may
 be thought of this policy, which is now in
 actual operation in England, it is certain
 that the feeling which prevails in regard to
 the power of corporations in this country,
 with the control in the hands of a small but
 rich and grasping minority, is not without
 justification, and that it will ultimately find
 some method of satisfying its fair demands.

AN APOTHEOSIS OF J. DAVIS.

The curious reader of Southern news-
 papers must have noticed, occasionally,
 what might be called a revival of JEFFERSON
 DAVIS. He is like the sea-serpent, the story
 of the girl who swallowed a darning-needle,
 or the flying cow of the Western tornado—
 his reappearance is periodical. Not only
 are they periodical, but they are regular in
 their cyclical movement, if we may use the
 phrase. The periodicity of the revivals of
 JEFFERSON DAVIS has become so regular
 established that we might almost expect to
 see in the almanacs, along with the weather-
 wise predictions suitable to the season, some
 such warning as this: "About this time—
 expect a revival of J. DAVIS. Strung
 along the prophetic pages of the Southern
 Almanac, this sentence would not only have
 a fine effect, but it would increase popular
 reverence for the foresight of the almanac-
 maker. Once in a while, J. D. revives him-
 self. An adventure in a sleeping-car, or an
 address before an agricultural society, may
 furnish him an opportunity to bring his
 name prominently before the public. But,
 so long as he can stand as a personal rep-
 resentative of the Lost Cause, there will be
 plenty of people who will be glad to turn
 their gaze backward, instead of forward,
 and to deify an exceedingly common-place
 person for the sake of glorifying a cause.

The present revival of DAVIS seems to be
 the result of a well-meant effort to send him
 to the United States Senate in place of Mr.
 BRUCE. It has been suggested that DAVIS
 should be elected in Mr. BRUCE's place, and
 that Mississippi may confidently trust to the
 magnanimity of this great nation, (or
 words to that effect,) to remove his dis-
 abilities. This movement appears to be pre-
 mature. The term of Senator BRUCE does
 not expire until 1881, and there is plenty
 of time to develop candidates for his place.
 Certainly, there is time enough for several
 revivals of J. D. before Mississippi chooses
 a successor to Mr. BRUCE. Therefore,
 though it may be that the burning desire
 of Mississippi to seat J. D. in the United
 States Senate may have inspired some of
 the later panegyrics of the great man, we
 are inclined to think that his reappearance
 at this time is purely incidental. He comes
 as the scarlet fever does, or as the sea-
 serpent off Nahant does, because he is due,
 so to speak. It is his appointed time, and
 he will continue to be discussed until some-
 thing else supervenes. For example, there
 was no real reason why Col. SAM MEER, who-
 ever he may be, should have referred to J.
 D. in a recent college oration, as "our
 Christian hero, patriot, and statesman," ex-
 cept that it was time for somebody to say
 that about him. But, in the name of all
 that is sacred in literature, we do protest
 against MEER's referring to J. D. as one
 who may hereafter "wrap the
 drapery of his death-couch about him" and
 lie down to die any day he chooses. Mr.
 JEFFERSON DAVIS may be a hero and a
 martyr, but there is no reason why BRY-
 ANT should be misquoted in his behalf.
 Furthermore, it is a feminine water-proof
 cloak and hoop-skirt which the hero
 wrapped about him on a previous occasion,
 when, as his latest panegyrist says, "he
 achieved for himself, though defeated, an
 immortality of glory." It is with the pre-
 vailing spirit of goodness that "Col. SAM
 MEER" warbles thus sweetly of the wit-
 nesses of truth around J. D. "Upon the lips
 of that boundless sea their prophetic eye
 can seize that tarnished throne which
 human justice makes its last tribunal, and
 before which the nations and the centuries
 are arraigned for trial." There is more of
 this pretty talk, and it is all admirably
 designed to help J. D. in his canvass for
 United States Senator and move the mag-
 nanimity of the great American people.

Somehow, the more slavish admirers of
 J. D. seem to see something very grand and
 noble in the conduct of their chieftain since
 the rebellion. Thus, an Alabama paper,
 commenting on some aspirations flung at the
 ex-leader, says: "His majestic dignity in
 the time of defeat, from its eminence,
 the whole array of his defenders." This is
 certainly very nice, but we respectfully sub-
 mit that the historic water-proof cloak
 and hoop-skirt, which we have just re-
 ferred to, do not comport with majes-
 tic dignity in the time of defeat
 or at any other time. We do not believe
 that the defeated ANTONY would have
 looked heroic in CLEOPATRA's hoop-skirt;
 and it is impossible to conceive of the de-
 feated NAPOLEON, after Waterloo, at Fon-
 tainebleau, waiting for his fate, in a water-
 proof cloak. How would CHARLES STUART,
 we should like to know, have looked when
 hauled out of a sleeping-car berth by a
 moral conductor who objected to "majestic
 dignity" compromising the moral character
 of the Ohio and Mississippi Railroad?

The fact is that JEFFERSON DAVIS is not
 formed of the stuff of which heroes are
 made. During the rebellion he was con-

coited, arrogant, and grossly selfish. If
 there was anything heroic in the character
 of LEE, JACKSON, or JONESTON, he hated
 them for it, and his own rebel compeers
 have denounced him for his treatment of
 men who were better than he. When de-
 feat was inevitable, he ran away like a
 chicken-hearted poltroon, and left "his
 people" and his fellow-conspirators to take
 care of themselves. But it is not for this
 that he is execrated, and that the ban of
 political disability must forever rest upon
 him. By himself, he is a sufficiently igno-
 minious figure. But he represents, so far
 as one man can represent it, a bloody
 treason which deluged the land in blood,
 and which brought upon the young Repub-
 lic a woe which many years cannot heal.
 We of the North have forgiven everything
 and have forgotten much, but this man
 should be kept out of sight.

RUSSIA'S MISSION TO CABLE.

The European critics who have discussed
 the Eastern position of England and Russia
 strangely ignore the fact that their mutual
 opposition is not, as florid orators love to
 style it, "the inevitable collision of two
 great waves of advancing conquest," but
 simply the competition of two rival traders
 in the same market. Up to the Russian
 conquest of Samarcand, in 1883, English
 goods to the value of \$35,000,000 passed
 yearly through Bokhara alone. Since that
 time, Russia's great object has been to pro-
 mote the sale of her own produce while
 barring out that of England; but, despite
 all her precautions, Manchester patterns
 and Sheffield cutlery continue to figure
 largely in the red-tatched bazaars of the
 Tartar cities, and never without finding a
 ready sale. This circumstance, and the
 fact that the conquest of Turkistan has
 hitherto been a source of heavy loss rather
 than of profit, make the chance of monopoliz-
 ing the growing commerce of Northern
 Afghanistan, while reviving the old caravan
 trade with Western China, too valuable for
 Russia to slight; and, accordingly, we find
 her making roads through the passes of the
 Tien-Shan on one side, and dispatching an
 accredited agent to Cabul on the other.

The selection for this latter duty of a
 man like Gen. ABRAMOFF, the Military Gov-
 ernor of Samarcand, and one of the most
 valuable officers in Central Asia, shows that
 Russia attaches no slight significance to the
 mission, and that England's counter-em-
 bassy from Peshawur will arrive not a whit
 too late. Indeed, it may very possibly ar-
 rive too late, for now, as heretofore, Rus-
 sian diplomacy goes hand in hand with war.
 The tramp of Gen. KAUFMAN's advancing
 columns keeps pace with his brilliant
 lieutenant's more peaceful journey, and
 the close of the negotiations may not im-
 probably be anticipated by an armed occu-
 pation of Badakhshan.

The position of this territory, between
 the two branches of the Oxus, gives a cer-
 tain plausibility to the claims of both
 powers; but should it eventually fall to
 Russia, it will not be for want of warning.
 "If it be objected by Russia," said the Lon-
 don Morning Post, in December, 1872, that
 "SHER ALI has made no actual occupation
 of Badakhshan, the best thing we can do
 is to furnish his army with a few thousand
 Snider rifles, and let him make one forth-
 with, promising him our full support in
 preserving that boundary from intrusion." But
 this obvious precaution was neglected, and
 Russia's skillful and unscrupulous
 diplomacy has had time to do its work.
 SHER ALI's relations with England are now
 complicated by mutual distrust, and a few
 weeks of such intrigues as Gen. IGATIEFF
 successfully pursued at the Court of
 Bokhara, in 1868, may injure the British
 cause in Asia more than years of fighting.

PARIS CABS AND CAB-DRIVERS.

The strike of the Parisian cab-drivers
 adds nearly 5,000 men to the number—al-
 ready too large—of persons idle in the
 French capital. The 8,000 or more of cabs
 will not, however, be less busy than they
 were in 1865. In that year there was also
 a strike among the cab-drivers, but soldiers
 were pressed into service, and in such large
 numbers that the strike came to an end in
 less than a week. In France it is impos-
 sible for a strike to result in a complete vic-
 tory for the strikers. Somehow, a strike in
 that country always gets mixed up with pol-
 itics; the ring-leaders almost invariably end
 by getting into jail, and Judges often add to
 the penalties of imprisonment a deprivation
 of civil and political rights, along with
 Police supervision for a term of years.
 Some people who have "traveled abroad"
 are never tired of contrasting American
 cabs and stages with French. It is true,
 disadvantage of the former. It is true,
 New-York cabs and "coaches" are bad
 enough, and many of our public drivers may
 be ruffianly and extortionate, but on the
 whole it is a question whether the French
 are not worse off than we. Save only the
 single item of cheaper rates, we think the
 cab system of Paris even worse than that
 of the English as shown in London or Liver-
 pool. Just what may be the slang name of
 cabs in this City which ply for business dur-
 ing the night we know not, but the French
 night cabs go by the significant and compre-
 hensive name of "marauders." The strike
 of these Paris cabmen recalls to mind the
 story told by M. DE GHARDIN of one of
 these marauders. Arrived, as he says,
 about daybreak at a certain terminus in
 Paris, and having suffered from the usual
 scarcity of conveyances, he at last found a
 cab—"a marauder" of no exorable a kind,
 both in itself and in the two animals,
 staggered one sat upon the box and the other
 staggered between the shafts, and he was
 induced to give the former the French
 equivalent of two dollars in consideration of
 receiving a history of the turn-out.

The "marauder," it appeared, belonged
 to a large establishment at Villotte-Belle-
 ville, a suburb of Paris. The establishment,
 said the "animal" on the box, consisted of
 "several hundred cabs, nearly twice as
 many horses, a blacksmith shop, painters,
 saddlers, a complete stock in trade, and a
 staff of drivers of all sorts." The sole pro-
 prietor is a M. BERTRAND, whose history
 is given thus: About ten years ago
 BERTRAND came, nobody knows whence,
 to seek his fortune at Villotte. One day he
 appeared with a turnout, which he had pur-
 chased—horses, cab, and all—for 100 francs,
 or about \$20. Next evening the "car-
 riage" was sent out under a "competent"
 driver, to "do the theatres." The driver
 took up his position in the line, and was
 immediately saluted with a roar of laughter

from the other drivers so loud that it brought
 the superintending policeman out from his
 kiosque. This official took the whole affair
 in a glance, and at once pronounced sen-
 tence: "Go home; wait for the streets; you
 are forbidden to ply on pain of confiscation." BERTRAND was dumfounded; but,
 having slept upon it, he went to the driver,
 whom he found in the stable. "Well, old
 boy," said he, "they won't have you on the
 rank; but never mind, you shall do with-
 out, and you shall have plenty of fares.
 The kiosques close at 11:30 P. M., and after
 that there is no rank or superintendence.
 You shall be a marauder, and have it all
 your own way. You shall have the traffic
 at the railroad stations, with fancy prices
 for fares; you shall have the rich John Bull,
 or the richer American, lost in some out-
 of-the-way place; the man who has supped
 himself insensible; the countryman who is
 jolly; the street sleeper suddenly awakened
 by the chilly dawn—in fact, all the pigeons
 most easily plucked." And BERTRAND kept
 good his word. Other drivers, not less un-
 scrupulous, cunning, and insolent, were se-
 cured, other cabs were purchased, other
 horses picked up, and soon the fellow was
 at the head of a large business, which grew
 more flourishing every night.

The man BERTRAND, enlists his drivers in
 accordance with rules of his own formation.
 He does not ask the applicant for any cer-
 tificate of character; he takes his measure,
 looks him down from the height of his ath-
 letic figure—that is enough. Such a staff of
 men is capable of anything—especially of
 keeping the money they take and leaving
 horse and cab in some dark alley. BER-
 TRAND provides against this eventuality by
 exacting a deposit. "I'm quite ready to
 take you on," he says to the applicant,
 "though you have no papers or certificate
 of any sort. You will make more money
 with me than with anybody else; but I
 must have a deposit." The man replies that
 he hasn't even a sou. "Well, borrow, then.
 I must have 100 francs deposit for the right
 of whip at my place." Perhaps the very
 next day there is a disagreement between
 master and man. The former dismisses his
 servant, and the latter naturally claims his
 deposit. Then ensues a "rough-and-tumble
 fight," which always ends in the master's
 favor. The matter is taken before the legal
 authorities. BERTRAND pleads that the
 damage done to his property far exceeds in
 value the amount of deposit, and he de-
 mands the opinion of an expert. The litig-
 ants are recommended to settle the matter
 between them, and the deposit remains in
 the master's cash-box.

M. BERTRAND has, it is said, an able
 adjutant in Mme. BERTRAND, who is what
 the French call une *maitresse femme*, or a
 "masterful woman." She is so strong-
 armed and ferocious that no two drivers are
 able to "best" her in the numerous fights
 which take place in the workshops. Her
 personal endowments are such that all the
 men are afraid of her, even more than they
 are of the master. But these drivers enjoy
 perfect liberty. They may go and come as
 they like; they may remain out any num-
 ber of hours, no matter how long, provided
 they bring home a good round sum. BER-
 TRAND is the despair of the French philo-
 sopher; for since his business increased so
 amazingly, he takes the very food out of
 their mouths. He buys up horses that no-
 body would look at, takes the cripples home,
 keeps them for a week in the stable, and, by
 dint of forage, sets them to work till they
 fall to rise up no more.

ORDER OF THE BATH.

The conception of comfort and enlighten-
 ment is, in all American cities, materially
 conveyed by a bath-room. Those of us who
 live in commercial or social centers refuse
 to be satisfied with a bath-tub, unless it be
 spacious, permanent, secluded, and occu-
 pying space of its own. We demand, in
 short, a room containing a fixed bath, where,
 with a perfect sense of solitude, we can lux-
 uriate in fresh, clear, abundant water. All
 Americans of urban habits and tastes may
 be considered natural members of the Order
 of the Bath, which took its name from the
 ceremony of bathing, once practiced as an
 evidence of chivalrous purity, at the in-
 auguration of a knight. It is well that re-
 publicans should continue a custom that
 insures physical purity which the swagging
 knights of old never possessed, nor, in-
 deed, any other kind of purity. Bathing
 means more than it shows. It is a fine
 usage, and fine things are allied to and
 grow out of it. We have cause to rejoice
 that we are a bathing people.

This is something of a distinction, too.
 Only we and the English are regular bath-
 ers, feeling that the day has not begun,
 that we are not our proper selves, until we
 have had our morning plunge. It is es-
 sential, not for cleanliness alone, but for
 freshness, invigoration, for corporeal self-
 esteem. The English do not have bath-
 rooms as we have, although those of the
 better class share our passion for bathing,
 having a partiality for the queer-looking
 tin vessels, resembling broad-brims which
 many of them carry everywhere as part
 of their personal luggage. We use them our-
 selves often at home, but we seldom take
 them with us to New-Zealand, Syria, India,
 or up the Nile. Rather than be so bother-
 ed we are willing to depend on sponge
 and basin until we can rejoin the beloved
 tub we have so regretfully left behind.
 Our cousins over the way bear their cum-
 berstone tin hats because their fathers and
 grandfathers have borne them, which is
 reason sufficient, in fact, reason imperative,
 for the representative Briton to do any-
 thing.

Their hats and mishaps with the unwieldy
 utensils have long furnished amusement to
 alien travelers. The awkward things are
 always getting covered up in vans; are
 always slipping off diligences; meeting
 with irreparable damage on board steamers;
 are forgotten at hotels; are sent the wrong
 way; are missing when most wanted, and
 playing unanticipated tricks upon their
 owners that would indicate their sentence
 and appreciation of the ludicrous. The
 serio-comic epic of the Englishman and his
 hat-bath has not yet been written, frequent-
 ly as it is drawn across the stage. We have
 seen it in the bow, since inn-keepers, im-
 pelled by their trade, the world over, by
 expected patronage of the two English-
 speaking nations, have begun to keep the
 bath-tub for accommodation of their
 guests—fortunately for us, because we
 might have been obliged, likewise, to join
 the caravan that wanders over the globe,
 pursuing and pursued by the inevitable

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates
for to-day, in this region, clear or partly
cloudy weather, north-east veering to south-
westerly winds, stationary temperature, station-
ary, followed by falling, barometer.

The National Party does not muster very
strongly in Connecticut, only 70 delegates,
representing 28 towns, having convened at
New-Haven yesterday. But these devoted
Spartans made up for their poverty of
numbers by the imperiousness of their de-
mands. If the convention had been com-
posed of one thousand STUPIDS, it could
not have been more determined. The plat-
form is a modification of that adopted at
Syracuse, and insists that the accumulation
of wealth shall be discouraged by national
legislation, and that greenbacks shall be a
full legal tender for all public and private
debts; that United States bonds shall be
"paid" in "absolute" money; that the Re-
sumption act and the national banking law
shall be repealed; that postal savings banks
shall be established, and a graduated income
tax be levied, and that corporations shall
be taken in hand and severely taxed upon by
the Government. Of course, there were the
usual declarations against cheap Chinese
labor, convict labor, &c., and it was ex-
pressly agreed that all reforms should be
accomplished by the ballot. The Connecti-
cut Nationals do not pretend to be strong
enough to elect a State ticket, though they
have nominated one. In the Congressional
and Legislative districts, however, they hope
to accomplish something by judicious
trading. And it may interest our readers
to learn that two-thirds of the party are
drawn from the Democrats and the other
third from the Republicans.

As speculations concerning the personnel
and government of the next Senate, and the
disposition of the Chairmanships of com-
mittees are now in order, the reader of
THE TIMES will be entertained by a Wash-
ington letter which we print to-day. It is
already considered settled that the commit-
tees will be allotted pretty nearly as we
well-informed correspondent has set down.
But there would be something grotesque in
putting Senator EATON at the head of a
committee once graced by CHARLES SUM-
NER, and Senator DAVIS, of West Virginia,
in the chair of the important Committee
on Appropriations, if we did not recall
the fact that these allotments are not made
on the principle of fairness. Very few people, probably, know
that there is such a man as Senator DAVIS,
of West Virginia; and we are confident
that the average reader will be bothered to
tell from what States come Senators JOHN-
SON, COOKE, HARRIS, GARLAND, BAILEY,
MORGAN, and a few other nobodies who are
nominated for high places. It is morally
certain that the South will have twenty-one
of the thirty-one Chairmanships, which may
yet make us think that the good old times
of swagger and bluster have come again. And
the additional fact that twelve of the possi-
ble Chairmen of committees are ex-rebel
officers is designed to strengthen that spirit
of conciliation which has been so assidu-
ously cultivated by the present Administra-
tion.

Missouri finances are in a bad way, the
State Treasurer being a somewhat irrespon-
sible person, with bonds which are
nearly worthless. In that State the public
funds are deposited in private banks, the
insatiable of the Treasurer's bondmen
being preferred. The popular alarm about
the insecurity of the Treasurer's bonds has
caused a run on a bank owned by one
of these bondmen, that officers promptly
closed, owing the State about half a million

dollars. Another half million was deposited
in a private bank which failed
in just five days afterward, and has
since paid a dividend of only 30
per cent. Several other irregular
transactions of the Treasurer have come to
light, and tax-payers and bondholders are
thereby excited to that degree that they
call upon the Governor to interfere for the
protection of the State. The Governor
says he has no time to bother with matters
of this sort, and the Treasurer declines to
say what he has done with the public
money. We are pained to add that the
finances of Missouri are not administered,
or maladministered, by Republican carpet-
baggers. The native variety of Jeffersonian
Democracy seems to be equal to the emer-
gency.

The Potter committee had before them
yesterday the man who invented ANDERSON.
The name of this benefactor of his race is
JOHN E. LETTIE, a carpet-bagger in Louisi-
ana, who wears one with the monotony of
his smart rascality. Considering ANDER-
SON as "an unmitigated nuisance," he per-
suaded him to go to the Feliciana parishes,
in hopes that he would be killed. To this
wicked deed he was further incited by
Gov. KELLOGG, who told LETTIE that he
believed ANDERSON "a sharp little rascal."
Subsequently, the good LETTIE experienced
a qualm of conscience, for he reflected
that ANDERSON'S blood might be on his
hands; and he thought of him benevo-
lently as "a sort of an adventurer whom
he took a certain romantic interest in."
This witness did not prove anything in-
ferentially his own excessive smartness, and
inferentially, the generally fly-blown char-
acter heretofore borne by ANDERSON. It
was expected that he would prove that the
State census was used to swell the enumera-
tion of the negroes, in order to furnish a
basis for an inflated registration in the Re-
publican interests. Unhappily, he was one
of the census-takers, and as he wildly per-
sisted in swearing that his enumeration was
honest, what he guessed about the others
did not amount to anything.

DENIS KEARNEY has set the fashion of
"arraigning" parties of all names and
aims, and the Michigan Prohibitionists yester-
day followed the new custom. Their
platform begins by arraighing Republican,
Democratic, and National Parties as
"under the rule of an alcoholic oligarchy." Considering that the Nation-
als are just now arraighing everybody
and everything, it was a neat stroke on the
part of the Michigan Prohibitionists to in-
clude them in the general denunciation.
And since oligarchies are in great disrepute,
we do not see why there should not be
one for the Prohibitionists to denounce,
as well as many for the other gentlemen
who are reorganizing society.

MR. THURMAN'S BID.

"I stand squarely on the platform," said
Senator THURMAN, at Hamilton, Ohio, on
Tuesday. "I have advocated its principles
heretofore, and I shall continue to advocate
them. * * * I confidently defy my
critics, one and all, to name any vote that I
have given during the nine years that I
have sat in the Senate that was inconsis-
tent with those principles." It seems,
then, that we have all of us done Mr. THUR-
MAN a great deal more than justice in the
past. He has always been in favor of the
gradual substitution of greenbacks for na-
tional bank-notes, opposed to contrac-
tion, and in favor of unlimited coinage of
the silver dollar; in other words, while we
have supposed him to be an intelligent man,
holding back the hands of his fanatical
brethren, he has been as one of them,
ready to go with them to the furthest ex-
treme of crazy finance. If it is a pleasure
to the Senator to establish the fact that the
friends of sound money have been mistaken
in him in the past, we shall not deny it to
him, though it is not without regret that we
see him surrender to a tide that cannot
carry him to success, though it may be
strong enough to bring much evil to the country.

"The principal feature" of the Ohio plat-
form, says Mr. THURMAN, "is the pro-
posed substitution of greenbacks for na-
tional bank-notes," and there is no doubt,
as we long ago pointed out, that this is the
form which the soft-money movement must
eventually take. It does not follow that,
unless we substitute legal tenders for bank-
notes, we must have a currency of bank-
notes alone, nor is the latter the aim of the
Republican Party. If the legal tenders are
redeemed according to law, the currency
would consist of the redeemable Govern-
ment notes, the redeemable bank-notes, and
coin, and under the existing statutes, the
latter two elements could be indefinitely
increased, according to the legitimate de-
mands of business, while the former re-
mained stationary. But the plan of the
paper-money men involves a very different
state of things. They would reduce the
currency to Government legal-tender notes
and coin, and it is to be remembered that,
by the Ohio platform, on which Mr. THUR-
MAN "squarely stands," there is no provision
to be made for the redemption of the green-
backs. On the contrary, the platform de-
mands the repeal of the Resumption act,
which is the only law requiring their spe-
cific redemption.

Now, there is one feature in this project
which Mr. THURMAN does not deign to
notice, but which is of the highest impor-
tance. It is, that for the substitution of
greenbacks for bank-notes, that is, for the
issue of some \$320,000,000 of legal-tender
notes, there is not the slightest constitu-
tional authority. Their issue would, indeed,
be in direct violation of the Constitution as
construed by the highest tribunal of the
land and as regarded by the ablest constitu-
tional lawyers ever since the question
has been under discussion. The original
legal-tender act was always of doubtful con-
stitutionality. It was sustained by a bare
majority of the Supreme Court, after it had
been once condemned, and the only ground
for sustaining it was the dangerous one of
"overwhelming necessity." The decision
was an application on the extreme scale
of the maxim that the law is silent in war.
To reach the same conclusion now would
be, to any reasonable jurist, entirely im-
possible. Whatever may have been the
necessity at the time for the passage of the
legal-tender act, there is none now.
Though we might allege "law" in time of
war, and strain the Constitution to prevent
its absolute overthrow, we cannot afford to

silence it now. That would be equivalent
to its destruction at our own hands.

The issue of legal tenders to replace the
bank-notes is demanded solely on the ground
of expediency. The expediency is more
than doubtful, but it is not pretended by
any one that there is anything else to sus-
tain the proposition. What are we to think
of a statesman who wants to be President and
who poses in the character of the leader of
his party, who, on a question of preference
for certain financial theories, can lightly
brush aside the Constitution as of no weight
in the premises? The Democrats, and Mr.
THURMAN, chief among them, delight to call
themselves conservatives. But this is not
conservatism, it is destructiveness. It is
striking at the root of not only stable
finance, but of stable government. If we
are to cast the Constitution overboard when
any little band of reckless adventurers
choose to demand an experiment of their
senseless theories, what shall we have left
to guard or maintain the central principle
of our Government, which is respect for the
fundamental law?

The appearance of Mr. THURMAN as the
champion of such a policy, and the careless
manner in which he passes by its utter in-
consistency with the Constitution, is a curi-
ous sign of the tendencies of the Demo-
cratic Party. There was a time when that
party was regarded by itself and conceded
by its opponents to be in favor of a strict
construction of the Constitution, and when
its leaders would at least have tried to make
their course harmonize in appearance with
the Constitution. But the later-day Demo-
crats are troubled with no such scruples.
They are quite willing to take up the wild-
est cry that seems to promise to bring or
to keep a few votes, without regard to what
their lawful power may be. From CASS
and MARCY to THURMAN is a long way, and,
curiously enough, the man who is nearest
looks just now infinitely the smallest.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Gail Hamilton, in her fourteenth and fif-
teenth articles, has at last brought down
her profound researches into civil service
reform from the days of FITZ and BURKE to
comparatively modern times. With the aid
of an English Guide to the Civil Service,
of the extremely recent date of 1877, and of
"informal" conversations with Customs
officers on the docks at Liverpool, she has
discovered that the pretended opening of
the British civil service to free competition
is a "pure delusion," and that "patron-
age" and "influence" are quite as potent
as ever. This is a remarkable discovery,
and one which would be extremely com-
forting to Mr. BLAINE and the other en-
emies of civil service reform in this country
did it not, unfortunately, lack the essential
element of truth. There is the amplest
evidence, not only in the reports of the
British Civil Service Commission and of
various Parliamentary committees, but in
contemporary magazine literature, that
the principle of open competition has been
extended in good faith, and with the best
results, to the entire civil service of Great
Britain, with the single exception of the
Foreign Office and the diplomatic service.
Had the fair critic but read to the end
the article in *Scribner's Monthly* for June, 1877,
from the earlier portions of which she
quotes with such freedom, she would have
found the facts set forth with fullness and
accuracy. The mistake into which she has
fallen is that of supposing that the com-
petitive system was introduced in 1855,
and all of her conclusions are based on this
error.

Now, the fact is that no one except her-
self has ever pretended or supposed that
the system of 1855 was a competitive sys-
tem. Every person who has made the
slightest inquiry into the subject
knows that the order in Council
of 1855 provided simply for pass-
examinations, and that no effort
was made at that time to put any further
restraint upon patronage. Although lim-
ited competition among candidates nomi-
nated by patronage was voluntarily intro-
duced to a considerable extent under the
order of 1855, the system of open compe-
tition which is now in operation was not
introduced till 1870. The order in Coun-
cil of June 4 in that year directed that,
with certain exceptions, all original ap-
pointments in any department of the civil
service made after Aug. 31, 1870, should
be made by means of open competitive ex-
aminations. This was an entire change
from the system before in force, and marks
the beginning of a new era in the British
civil service. The new system was soon
put in force, and has continued in operation
ever since, standing successfully the test
of repeated Parliamentary investigation. The
statements concerning the potency of pa-
tronage and the necessity of influence to the
candidates for appointment, which Miss
Dodge quotes with such gusto from the
guides and hand-books of 1857, refer, of
course, to the system of pass-examinations
introduced in 1855, and not to the competi-
tive system, which was not introduced till
1870, and which made a radical change in
the methods of selection. The statement
that "what was true in 1850 and 1857 is
true to-day," is, therefore, just the reverse
of correct. It is astonishing that so intelli-
gent a writer should have stumbled into
such a very quagmire of errors in dealing
with a subject to which she has professedly
given so much attention, when the means
of correct information were so easily ob-
tainable.

We fear that the information picked up
on the Liverpool docks is quite as anti-
quated and untrustworthy as that derived
from these obsolete hand-books. The cus-
toms officers at that port are represented as
saying that a recommendation from some
member of the Government is requisite to
secure an opportunity to enter the competi-
tive examinations. If this be true, Dr.
LYON PLAYFAIR, and the other members of
the Civil Service Inquiry Commission must
have been grievously imposed upon. Their
third report, presented to Parliament July
23, 1875, was devoted exclusively to the
"Out-door Establishments of the Inland Re-
venue and Customs Departments," and the
"Clerical Establishments of the Outports." They
presented a full and exact statement
of the methods of appointment in vogue,
from which it appears that admission to
these important branches of the service can
be gained only through open competitive
examinations, conducted under the direction
of the Civil Service Commission. The only

exceptions are the watermen and boatmen,
who are appointed on nomination, after
passing a test examination in reading and
writing. Probably, it was one of these
humble officials of whom Miss DODGE made
her "informal but careful inquiry" on the
Liverpool docks. At any rate, this plan
of investigating the methods of selecting the
civil servants of a great country like Great
Britain possesses the merit of originality
however much it may be lacking in accuracy.
The reason given for not selecting the wa-
termen and boatmen by competition is the
perfectly simple and conclusive one that
"bodily and not mental qualifications are
mainly required." All appointments to the
higher grades in these departments are,
moreover, made by promotion from the
lower grades, either by competition or selec-
tion, every officer, of whatever grade, being
required to work his way up from the lowest
grade.

That the designations for examination are
not governed by "influence" or favoritism,
is evidenced by the language of the order
in Council, which declares that the exami-
nations "shall be open to all persons of the
 requisite age, health, character, and other
 qualifications prescribed in the regulations,"
and of the regulations of the Civil Service
Commissioners, which announce that "these
 examinations will be open, with such excep-
 tions and under such conditions as may be
 laid down, to all natural-born subjects of
 her Majesty being of good health and char-
 acter," and by the further fact that prior to
 Miss DODGE'S explorations there had never
 been heard a whisper of complaint that
 these provisions had not been fully and
 fairly enforced. Plainly, the enemies of
 civil service reform will have to seek for
 consolation and support elsewhere than in
 Great Britain.

THE CHINESE AND THE WORKING MEN.

The Boston hearers of Mr. DENIS KEAR-
NEY have, at his earnest solicitation, prom-
ised him to "pool their issues," and have
begun by pooling them on John Chinaman
—a matter of fact as much practical
reform to Massachusetts working men in
the autumn canvass as the British pro-
fessor of Cyprus. Mr. KEARNEY calls
upon the Boston working men to swear
by the heavens above and the stars,
by the moon, "that pale empress of the
night," by the sun, "by the earth and all
its inhabitants, and by hell beneath us,
the Chinese must go!" His audience re-
solved to "join in the watchword," "The
Chinese must go!" It needs be as effectually
as the tea was engulfed in Boston harbor
—that is to say, by force if not by law.
But, after the Chinese are expelled, Mr.
KEARNEY may want to drive out some other
classes of people—by steam-ship or by rail
—say, for example, the negroes or the In-
dians. And when these have been disposed
of, Mr. KEARNEY may conclude to swear,
by the moon, by the earth and all its in-
habitants, and by hell beneath, that certain
classes of working women must go; or, per-
haps, that the Scandinavians or the Italians
must go. In other words, America, instead
of being an asylum for peoples of all climes
and colors, is to be made the country from
which people are to be expelled by the hun-
dred thousand, after paying head-money
and taxes.

The coolness of this proposal is increased
by its originating and being supported al-
most wholly by men themselves born in
foreign lands, and like the Chinese, finding
an asylum in this. They, being the
stronger, and having the ballot, propose to
drive out a weaker foreign element which
has not the ballot; and "we'll do it with
our bullets, if our ballots fail," said KEAR-
NEY in his sand-lot meeting on Boston Com-
mon.

Now, the people of California have had a
sample of the mob rule of anti-Chinese
demagogues, defying constitutional authori-
ty and law, and advocating incendiarism
and assassination. The San Francisco
Grand Jury, which, early in the present
year, found bills of indictment against
leading agitators, declared that these men
interfered with the peace and welfare of
the city, and so harassed working men in-
stead of helping them. It would be
precisely so with Boston, under a like agita-
tion, were it not for the partial sagacity
that, as we have said, the Mongolian agita-
tor has no more to do with the Massachu-
setts canvass than the Mahomedan ques-
tion. The voice of the California press has
been uniform against KEARNEY'S anti-
Chinese crusade, although urging the over-
tures for the modification of the Burlingame
treaty which were lately made by
Congress. If any paper in California ought
to be considered respectfully by the
Kearneyites just now, it is the San Francis-
co Chronicle; yet, during the troubles
of last Winter, this paper said:
"The dangerous and bloodthirsty agita-
tors must be promptly put down
with the strong hand." They were told
that "the Government of the United States
must, in honor, put down any mob violence
against the Chinese, if the State and city
should refuse or could not; they listened
only to three or four ignorant foreign dema-
gogues, and one foreign fanatic gone mad
on the bad cause in which he is enlisted."
What advantage the Boston working men
would derive from pooling their issues into
such a "pot" as KEARNEY presided over in
San Francisco it is hard to see.

Spouters who talk of driving back the
Chinese do not consider, apparently, that
China could lawfully retaliate by expelling
every American from her domains. It is
true that this would be followed by a war,
in which, at heavy cost, we might be the
victors; but we should have the public sen-
timent of the world against us, and possibly
China could effect alliances preventing us
from making such terms with the "moon-
faced lepers" as we might choose. Mean-
while, great suffering and bloodshed, with
great destruction of property—that in
America probably offsetting that in China,
go on, and all on account of shameless vi-
olations of the plighted faith of a nation to
please a few ignorant demagogues. Besides,
American citizens, whose rights are as good
as those of the Kearneyites, have contracts
to employ Chinamen, and on the strength of
these lawful contracts have made large in-
vestments in farms, factories, mines, and
vineyards. The destruction of these con-
tracts by violence might ruin these citizens,
and also throw out of employment the white
labor which is toted in abundance where

the less attractive and less lucrative tasks
are thrust on the Chinese.

Certainly it is not because the Chinese
are a pauper burden on the communities
they go to that they are to be driven back
by steam-ship and by rail. If their labor is
cheap, it brings them enough to take care
of themselves with. Last year, in San
Francisco, out of 3,918 patients in the hos-
pital, 1,112 were born in the United States
and 2,806 in foreign countries; but only
11 of these were born in China—yet we
know the large proportion of Chinese in
San Francisco. So, of 225 in the Industrial
School for Juvenile Delinquents, only 4 were
born in China; of 498 in the Alms-house,
none were from China. Undoubtedly, in the
huddling to which habit, economy, and the
sense of protection lead them, the Chinese
run the risk of being "filthy," as Mr. KEAR-
NEY says they are—adding, with the air of
a Coriolanus, "I can smell them afar off."
But in the Congressional testimony on this
subject, Dr. STOUT, a physician of the State
Board of Health, says: "The Chinese are
quick, have a remarkable capacity for la-
bor, are clean in their habits, drink no
whisky, constantly wash themselves, and
keep themselves clean; their clothes are
clean; they pay more rent, and more
promptly, than whites." Mr. BROOKS says:
"Their custom is to wash from head to
foot every day; compare them with any
other laboring class, and see who is clean." Mr.
BASCOCK says of the sixteen Chinamen
in his service: "Every Chinaman each
night bathed from head to foot;" he also
calls them "quiet, industrious, and as clean
and neat people as you ever saw."

This, however, is a minor consideration.
The main thing for working men of the At-
lantic slope to guard against is being car-
ried into voting countenance to the crusade
of violence and crime which has been car-
ried on against the Chinese in California.
These people came here in good faith, like
other immigrants, and under express treaty
sanction. We may now properly seek to
modify our treaty, with the view of check-
ing an influx if it is becoming burdensome;
but to talk of driving back, either by mob
violence or the not less despicable device of
crudely discriminating laws, the Chinese
already here is quite another matter.

POETIC JUSTICE.

The social ventriloquist is by far the most
dangerous and devastating of all social
pests. The man who plays the cornet or
the accordion, or even the unspeakable
wretch who performs on the banjo, can be
detected and shunned. He carries his in-
strument of torture with him, and, like the
rattle of the rattlesnake, it gives timely
warning of his presence. But the social
ventriloquist resembles the silent and
stealthy copperhead. You may sit close
beside him for an hour without the slightest
apprehension of danger, and at the end of
that time he may rear his awful crest and
disclose his true character. No place is
safe from his inroads. While he particu-
larly affects evening parties, whether
of a tea, dinner, or dancing character, he
has been known to penetrate into prayer-
meetings, and to hold a conversation with
a hypothetical and hardened sinner con-
cealed in the chimney. An irreproachable
theological student was on one occasion
undergoing marriage with a young lady in
a crowded church, when a blasphemous
social ventriloquist, who had stolen into the
building, made him apparently reply to the
question whether he loved her, cherish, and
protect his bride, "If I don't god darn
me." Whereupon the ceremony was in-
dignantly cut short by the officiating
clergyman, who left the bewildered pair
only partially married, and refused to listen
to any explanation.

We all know by sad experience the gloom
which falls upon an unprotected assembly
when the social ventriloquist leaves his
chair, and, proceeding to the side-board,
knocks tureen and asks loudly, "Are you
there, Uncle Peter?" There is no escape
from the wretch. For the next half hour he
will take to himself seven or more imaginary
idiots more idiotic than himself, and con-
verse with them in tones that would loosen
the back teeth and palsy the hind legs of
an army man. "Uncle Peter" in the side-
board will be followed by "John" in the
chimney, by "Little Jimmy" in the closet,
by "Old Mr. Perkins" in the garret. Then
will come the conversation with the police-
man in the garden, whom the social ventri-
loquist will address through the open win-
dow, and who, with a maddening disregard
of probability, will be made to arrest two
noisy Irish burglars. After the final negro
in the book-case has ended his complaints
that he is stifling and his protests against
being poked with the ventriloquist's cane, a
series of objectionable boasts and insects
are brought out. There is the pretended
fly that buzzes on the window, the imagi-
nary mosquito that bites—also only in imagi-
nation—the ventriloquist's nose, the libel-
ous dog, that disgraces his kind by barking
outside of the window as no decent dog ever
barked, and the preposterous and impossible
cat, who mew from her alleged confinement
in the coal-scuttle. All this time the un-
happy audience sits and suffers. For any
one to leave the room or to drown the mis-
creant's voice by loud talking, would be the
height of rudeness to the host or hostess,
and there is nothing to be done but to re-
main quiet and to soothe the mind by pic-
turing the ventriloquist covered with blaz-
ing kerosene, or exposed, naked and bound,
to the assaults of an army of Central Afri-
can ants. Unfortunately, it is only in im-
agination that justice thus overtakes the
ventriloquist. A stupid and heartless law
protects him from summary vengeance, and
there is little doubt that there was a man to
shoot a ventriloquist, even in the very act,
he would be indicted and subjected to a
good deal of annoyance before securing a
formal acquittal.

No one can read without feeling stronger,
purer, and better, the story of the social
ventriloquist of a California town upon
whom unexpected retribution recently fell.
This monster had a peculiarly atrocious
way of varying the order of his programme,
so that "Uncle Peter" would sometimes
howl from the distant garret, or "Mrs.
O'Flanagan" would express her views on
Chinamen from the recesses of the piano.
This added an element of uncertainty to
the performance which intensified its hor-
ror. On a recent occasion the Californian
ventriloquist, who was present at a tea-
party, having duly exhausted "Uncle Peter"

and most of his dramatic persona, an-
nounced that he would now see about that
burglar in the closet, and, stepping up to
the closet door, pronounced the familiar
question, "What are you doing in there?"
Come out of that this minute." According
to all precedent, a squeaking voice ought to
have replied, begging for mercy and assign-
ing some ridiculous excuse for its presumed
owner's presence on the premises. Instead
of the regulation reply, the door of the
closet flew suddenly open, a stalwart thief
sprang forth, knocked down the ventri-
loquist—whose head struck the table-leg
with a delicious crash—and rushed for the
door. The local Methodist minister, who
was present, and who was exceptionally
"spry with his weapons," instantly
"pulled" on the burglar and "got the drop
on him." These well-known theological
terms scarcely need any explanation, and
nearly every one will comprehend that the
burglar acted wisely in promptly throwing
up his hands and surrendering.

Not a man present dreamed of delivering
the prisoner to the Police. On the con-
trary, a subscription was instantly taken
up for him, and he was presented "with
\$35 70. Even women hastened to shake
his hand in gratitude, and the Methodist
minister kindly withdrew for a few moments
to the kitchen, while a bottle of champagne
was opened for the astonished felon. He
departed loaded with benefits, and it was
not until two hours afterward that a doctor
was reluctantly sent for to prescribe for the
still insensible ventriloquist.

Of course, there are people who will be-
lieve that this burglar was hired to conceal
himself in the closet, and to bring the ven-
triloquist's performance to a happy close.
This, however, is irreconcilable with the
fact that no one knew certainly that the
ventriloquist would pretend that there was
a burglar or any one else in the closet. The
affair was a beautiful illustration of poetic
justice. Materialists and skeptics may say
that the presence of the burglar was due to
design, but generous and uncontaminated
souls will indignantly scout so narrow and
chilling an interpretation of a great and
glorious event.

Canada is likely to be kept in a continual
state of distraction, so long as the Protestant
Irishmen persist in maintaining their
organizations under any name whatever.
The riots which began in Ottawa on
Monday night were provoked by the
invasion of an Orange, or "Young
Briton" procession from Montreal. This
wanton act was promptly resented, and the
offender was severely handled. But the fact
that such a procession had been permitted
in Ottawa was sufficient to inflame the
rage of the Catholics, and the rioting
has continued up to the present time.
The rioters have, according to re-
ports, mainly occupied themselves with
"yelling like demons," although many per-
sons have been wounded in the course of
the disorder. It has been sagely sug-
gested that many Canadians look to a union
with this Republic as a cure for this stand-
ing nuisance. But it is evident that nothing
but a radical change of heart will ever
put an end to the fight of the religious fac-
tions in Canada.

EVERET A. DUTCHINCK, who has just died
at the age of 62, was a prominent journalist and lit-
erature here 30 odd years ago, though the rid-
ing generation knows very little, if anything, of him.
He was descended from an old Massachusetts family,
his father having been in his day a leading publisher
and bookseller in the City. The son was a thorough
New-Yorker, one of our few literary men who have
been born and educated and have spent their life
here. He was graduated at Columbia College in his
nineteenth year, and five years later he issued, in
consjunction with Conant, Maynard, & Brewster,
a magazine, as the prospectus called it, of books and
opinion, which came to an end in two years. He
next engaged in editing and publishing, with a
younger brother, GEORGE L. DUTCHINCK, the *Literary
World*, which attracted much attention and ex-
ercised considerable influence, but never reached a
point of self-sufficiency. It lasted for a long
time for a literary periodical at that
time. His chief work, however, was the
Cyclopedia of American Literature, in which
his brother co-operated with him, and
which displayed great industry and research,
and much capable and conscientious criticism.
Albeit a valuable work of our earlier authors, and
of ancient history, so rapidly have the country
and its literature grown. The majority of names men-
tioned in its pages as having what was regarded as
a somewhat permanent place in literature would not
be recognized to-day. Most of the clever authors of
the present are new men, men who had not been
heard of when the *Cyclopedia* was given to the pub-
lic. The volumes—there are two—are curious and
interesting, as showing the uncertainty and transi-
ency of literary reputation. In less than 30
years we have not only new authors, but new stand-
ards for authorship, with a far more rigorous
and exacting criticism. The elder of the Dutchinck
brothers, written hardly a dozen years ago, and
mainly among his books and in retirement, which he
could enjoy by reason of a comfortable independence
inherited from his father. Those who knew him in-
timately speak of him as a genial and interesting
companion, a gentleman of remarkable purity of life
and purpose, and rare scholarly tastes.

The London weekly paper that calls itself
Truth is called upon to prove its fidelity to its
name. It has three libel suits on its hands at once,
and there seem to be people who, in the language
of *Hamlet's* eccentric love-letter, "doubt *Truth* to be a
liar." One of the complainants is a Turkish subject
named in *Truth*, said he went about the fair, and
represent

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEW

NEW-YORK

Louis F. Cohen, paint dealer, of No. 14, Third-avenue, assigned his property for the benefit of creditors to Aaron Joseph, yesterday.

One hundred and four immigrants arrived Castle Garden yesterday, 44 by the steamship "Glen" from Glasgow, and 60 by the steamer, "Green," from Glasgow.

A game of base-ball between the Flyways and New-York Clubs was played on the Union Grounds, yesterday, and resulted in a victory for the Flyways by a score of 15 to 7.

Samuel Strauss, dealer in cigars at No. 21, William-street, made application to Register Davis for his discharge from bankruptcy, and as there was no objection by the creditors his petition will granted.

The failure of Ambrose Fowler, dealer

Daniel Watson, alias "Dutch Dan," the professional lock-pitter, who was arrested on Tuesday morning by Capt. Williams on suspicion of being implicated in some recent burglaries, was yesterday discharged by Justice Murray in the Jefferson market case, where the evidence was not sufficient to warrant his detention.

The following gentlemen were yesterday selected members of the New-York Produce Exchange: W. H. Beers, Joseph H. Cunningham,

Dr. David B. W. Field, Cyrusus Hars, John
Richard Knapp, Walter E. Lewis, T. J. M.
Grath, Walter M. Patrick, G. Wolf, and John
Wright.

The first packet of this year's hops arrived
in the City yesterday morning, on consignment
Messrs. W. E. Aldin & Son, hop merchants, Water
street. The hops were of the "early seedling"
variety and of good quality. They were forwarded
by Mr. Philip Fresenius, a prominent brewer of New
Haven, Conn.

The President of the New-York Produce Ex-
change yesterday appointed the following Special
Committee on Public Charities: A. E. Orr, Edwa-

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Produce Exchange will be held to-day for the purpose of considering and fixing the grade of amber, Michigan wheat. A similar meeting was held yesterday for the same purpose, but no definite action was taken. A large quantity of amber wheat is now coming into this market, and no grade having ever been established for it, some action in the premises is considered necessary by those interested.

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Robert W. Kelley, of South East, Putnam County, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy in the City. His liabilities amount to \$30,697, all of which are secured. He claims the claim of the United States Trust Company for \$10,000.

The secured creditors are the estates of Sammie Stone, \$25,210; John Slota, \$12,215; Thomas J. Slota, \$10,000; and B. J. Jones Trust, \$25,608. His assets consist of real estate in Westchester County and Chicago heavily mortgaged.

Patrick Rooney, Patrick Duffy, and John

Henry Robinson, ranging from 14 to 16 years
age, were charged, at the Essex Market Court, yester-
day morning, with breaking into the store of William
Hermann, No. 15½ Broadway. On Sunday afternoon
last, the boys were seen climbing over the roof of the
store, and were seen to enter the store from the rear
from Division street, and to break into the cellar of
Hermann's yard. There they broke into the cellar and
stole cigars and other articles to the value of \$150.
Robinson, aged 14, was held in \$5000 bail each to answer
the charge of burglary.

Jeannette accepted the invitation to go to the home afterward. Yesterday the girl, accompanied by her father, appeared in the Jefferson Market Police Court, where she was charged with stealing from the store of Murphy and both were arraigned. The accused denied the charge, and were held for trial in \$2,000 bail each.

Messrs. Adams & Rogers state that the business at their lumber-yard has not been stopped or interfered with and that for 10 years the Customhouse officers have never charged any of their employees with bur upon piers in charge of Custom-house officials. Other culpable goods, particularly sugars and molasses, are so stored, and it is only within the last

The Board for the Revision and Correction of Assessments met yesterday, and confirmed the following assessments: Tenth-avenue, regulating, grading, etc., from Eighty-second to Ninety-third street, \$51,674 26; sewers in Boulevard, Nineteenth-street, Ninth-avenue, and One Hundredth street, from Ninety-third to Ninety-fifth street, \$10,000 00; sewers with branches in Ninth-avenue, Nineteenth-street, Ninety-third and One Hundredth streets, \$107,394 35; Elton-avenue, grading, from Third-avenue to Broadway, \$10,000 00.

The consideration of various other assessments, for which lists had been prepared, was postponed until the 28th inst.

Mrs. W. H. Gulon acknowledges the receipt of the following contributions to the sick children's exoneration fund of the Floating Hospital at St. John's Bay, New York:

\$250;	Kremelberg & Co.,
\$25;	W. H. Teller,
\$25;	Goodwin, Smith & Co.,
\$25;	for one exonerated,
\$25;	and \$25;
\$25;	A Friend,
\$25;	for one exonerated,
\$25;	Weekly Douglas &
\$30;	Holbrooke Manufacturing Company,
\$10;	Leshner, Whitman & Co.,
\$10;	L. T. Gage,
\$10;	G. J. McGee,
\$10;	Marshall & Logeman,
\$10;	Thompson, R.

The special meeting of "The Lambs," theatrical club of which the late Mr. Montague was a member, was called to meet yesterday afternoon at 8 o'clock at the home of Lester Wallace, who was present and presided at the meeting. It was decided by the club to prepare and send a letter of condolence to Mrs. Mann. Montague's mother and sister, who were expected to receive the remains on their arrival from the West. Mr. Wallace received a dispatch from Mr. Montague's mother yesterday, asking him to take full charge of the funeral arrangements, and it was decided that this disposition to be made of the remains. It is not

Frank G. Green, of No. 35 Deay-street, one of the largest dealers in iron pipes in this City, has become embarrassed, and has asked an extension of 12 months from his creditors. He is a Director in the Keely Motor Company, and is so sanguine of the success of his enterprise he is able to pay the creditors in full by the money invested in the enterprise. His liabilities amount to \$104,000, and real assets, consisting of stock, machinery, fixtures, and books, amount to \$14,000, and at \$14,000 he has asked the creditors to wait 12 months to grant him an extension and to allow him \$8,000 out of the assets and books.

given one year to develop and perfect the Keely motor, and if he failed to do so, the assets of the company were to be turned over to the hands of Messrs. Benton and Faulkner, his manager and book-keeper, as Trustees, to be converted into cash for the creditors. The difference between the amount of assets and the amount expected to be made up by the Keely motor's success, Mr. Keely has been in business many years, and was highly respected. He represented the Newport Manufacturing Company, which failed in 1877, and he said it had been slightly affected by its suspension.

BROOKLYN.

William Flaherty, aged 26, a brother of John W. Flaherty, Commissioner of City Works, died

Thursday morning at his residence, No. 189 Southern Boulevard.
Fourth-street.

Nellie Connell, aged 6 years, fell out of a second-story window of her parents' residence, at No. 15 Little Nassau-street, last evening, and sustained fatal injuries.

The funeral of the late James A. Terry took place yesterday from St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church on Hicks-street. Mayor Hylan and a large number of prominent citizens attended. The remains were interred in Green-Wood Cemetery.

Controller Burrill drew a warrant in favor of the Trustees of the Brooklyn Bridge yesterday for

The Police have not yet succeeded in identifying John Doe, alias Wilbur, alias Hibbert, the man who was arrested with the notorious thieves, Porter and Irving, and "Shang" Draper, on a charge of breaking into the store of Martin Ibert on Graham avenue. Acting Superintendent Waddy believes that the man is a well-known desperado, and he has referred to the Police in the Western style. Detective Clapp, formerly attached to the New York Police Central Office, visited Headquarters yesterday to lead a broad

Company No. 6, to Engine Company No. 13; Dennis Kilbride, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 9, to Hook and Ladder Company No. 6; John Laddy, of Engine Company No. 8, to Engine Company No. 25; Thomas Head, of Engine Company No. 25, to Engine Company No. 5; Thomas E. Shiala, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 11, to Hook and Ladder Company No. 9, and Assistant Foreman William Birmingham, of Engine Company No. 7, to Engine Company No. 14.

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Joseph Menzies, alias "Pigeon Joe," the latter was arrested. Menzies was held in \$2,000 bail to answer the charge of burglary and larceny.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

In steamship City of Washington, from Havana.—J. Castellana, Maria E. Tinasty and two children; Mr. and Mrs. G. Martinez, J. B. Romero, B. Plascen, Carlo G. Casella, Santiago Belandier, T. Ashmore, Walter Ritchie, Joshua Gladhill, Francisco de Toco, Jose Garcia, Mr.

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Gravity to Children, as a child who had been the subject of no less than 50 complaints to the society. The child, it was alleged, was used to lead his blind step-father into the wilds of the Forest of Dean, and was cruelly ill-treated. The officers of the society have been looking for him, and he was traced last night. The child was found in the Forest of Dean, near the village of St. Martin's, and was taken to the police station.

CITY AND SUBURBAN NEWS

NEW-YORK.
Secretary Sherman is expected to reach the

Dr. James M. Austin, Grand Secretary of the Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, in the State of New-York, called for Europe on the steamer **Edward Curran**, aged 77, died yesterday at Bellevue Hospital from injuries received at Hunter's Point by being run over by a train on the Long Island Railroad last Monday.

Capt. S. J. Smith of the Norwegian brig **Favorita**, which arrived from Bristol on Wednesday, said that a young man named **Jacob Schults**, fell crushed on the 23d of July, and was drowned.

A meeting of the grain trade was held yesterday afternoon at Frazer's office, where they adopted resolutions hurrying the Inspectors of Wheat to classify Amber Midland the same as No. 1 Red, it is their judgment, the quality of the former wheat.

Henry Gallagher, aged 46, of No. 64 Leroy street, was committed for trial, in default of \$1,000, by Justice Murray, in the Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday morning, for John Flood, of 85, 6th street, armed with a knife in the left side artery.

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The three steamships which sailed for Europe yesterday carried out about 100 cabin passengers. Seven steamers have sailed already this week and six more are to follow tomorrow. The latter will be the last of the season.

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Acting Mayor. Roberts yesterday received a deputized policeman lately employed on the "Brooklyn Express," who called to protest against the action of Controller Kelly in withholding the sum of \$500,000 from the city treasury, which the Controller stated that, inasmuch as a number of prominent citizens had been indicted for the same crime, it was appropriate they should receive no more money for the completion of the bridge, he did not see how any further action could be taken. The Controller, in the local question involved had been decided by the courts. Mr. Roberts further stated that it was in the power of the Trustees of the Brooklyn Bridge to suspend the work on settlement, and the sooner that was done the better. He said that he had been called to the Mayor's office the day Mr. Henry C. Murphy called as the Mayor's office and presented a formal requisition for the sum of \$500,000 in behalf of the Trustees of the bridge.

BROOKLYN.

During the past week 257 deaths, or two more than in the previous week, were recorded at the City of Health.

At 5 o'clock yesterday morning Capt. Kaiser, of the Twelfth Precinct, broke up a disorderly house on No. 39 Hopkins-avenue, and arrested the inmates.

Officer Chichester, of the Twelfth Precinct, was convicted yesterday of having told a lie to one of the sergeants about a dereliction of duty. The Commissioners fined Chichester seven days' pay.

A musical recital, and a concert of choice selections, were given at the Metropolitan Church yesterday evening at the Schermerhorn Theatre, Taborplace, will be given by Mr. Henry E. Brown, organist of Plymouth Church, and George W. Morgan, organist of the Tabernacle Church, at 8 o'clock.

A lecture by Rev. Dr. Talmage.

Some time during Wednesday night Plymouth Church was visited by a fire, which consumed pounds of paint, eight brushes, and the shingles and overalls of three painters. The church is being painted and decorated during the Summer recess.

working clothes and tops in the building over night.

O'Donovan Rossa, the Fenian agitator, is a patient at St. Peter's Hospital, on Hicks-street. He is suffering from pneumonia, contracted by a cold taken while journeying from a railway train near Toronto some months ago to escape an attack of influenza. He was released from hospital to deliver a lecture in Toronto when he learned a few miles outside the city of the contemplated attack.

William W. Pease, an undertaker, residing at No. 67½ Grand street, has been missing from his home since Tuesday morning. Mr. Pease is about 50 years old; single; tall; thin; fair complexion; of good steady habits, and was never known for his disappearance on Tuesday to be away from home before. His wife said she had no idea where he went, but feared that the missing man's mind had been affected by business troubles, and that he may have committed suicide.

James Toben, aged 53 years, and an inveterate drinker, was employed by Mr. William Keegan, the proprietor of a hotel on the Shore road, near Fox Hamilton, to assist the proprietor in doing up the furniture in the parlour. On Monday evening he failed to turn, while Keegan was out looking for him. The police were called, and found a bottle of whisky, some a rusty dinner plate, and a broken wine carboy, and the unfortunate man was dead.

The case of Charles P. Hughes against George J. Gifferty, in which the defendant was charged with the murder of a woman, was heard in the morning at the Criminal Court in the case of the following cases: No. 538, *Ex parte*, was heard yesterday before Judge Bailey, and the plaintiff was awarded \$100.00. The case of the plaintiff was heard in the morning at the Criminal Court in the case of the following cases: No. 538, *Ex parte*, was heard yesterday before Judge Bailey, and the plaintiff was awarded \$100.00. The case of the plaintiff was heard in the morning at the Criminal Court in the case of the following cases: No. 538, *Ex parte*, was heard yesterday before Judge Bailey, and the plaintiff was awarded \$100.00.

Register Little has received a petition in bankruptcy by Charles B. Rouse, dealer in dry goods at No. 351 Broadway. Mr. Rouse is still in bankruptcy before Register Dwight, and he has taken

The failure of Milo H. Parsons & Co., jobbers in oil, of No. 141 Maiden lane is announced. They have had only half credit at Bradstreet's for more than a year past, although they claimed a capital of \$50,000, and their business has not been profitable for several months. They were carrying a large stock of the finest, they were caught in cotton, and they

ROBBING A POOR WASHERWOMAN.
 Maria Maguire is a washerwoman, who works hard for an honest living, and resides at No. 89 West Eleventh-street. On Wednesday evening, at 6 o'clock, she took a few shirts, collars, cuffs, and neckties, and taking the same to the laundry, was

through West Fourteenth street with the package in his arms, a ruffian named John Callaghan, aged 40, living in West Forty-second street, came up behind him, threw his arms around her, dragging her to the ground, and took away her package. When she attempted to rise, he beat her on the head with his fist, and fled with his plunder. He was arrested, and yesterday, in the Jefferson Market Police Court, committed for trial in default of \$1,000 bail.

PASSENGERS RAILED.
 Dr. James J. Collins, for Bermuda.—Rev. J. and Mrs. Cameron. Master and Miss Josephine, Benjamin D. and Mrs. W. Wyringham. Capt. Alford, Woodman Samuel Young, Mrs. D. Moriarty, James Furrard, Benjamin E. Smith, Charles W. Smith.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.
 Sun rises...6:21 | Sunsets...6:57 | Moon sets...4:18
 A. N. W. WATER—W. B. L. A. K.
 Sooty Hook...9:28 | Sun enters 10:17 | Bell time 11:39

MARINE INTELLIGENCE

NEW-YORK **THURSDAY, AUG. 15.**

WEAVER.

Steam-ship issues: Ball, Lawrence, Norfolk, City Point and Richmond, Old Dominion Steam-ship Co.; Glasgow, Bucks, Boston, H. P. Duck, Oceana, Johnson, Portland, J. F. Ames; Savia, (Gen'l), Francis, Hannan, Plymouth, and Cherbourg, Knickerbocker & Co.; Columbia, Ladies' Haven, and Oceanic, October 1st, W. C. Wheeland, Boston; Baltimore, J. & K. Kroger.

John John T. Berry, Emerson, Havre, New & Bergen.

Bucks, Havre, Vienna, (Ital.), Genaro, Bordeaux, Lazio, Sicily & Sardinia; (Turin.) (Ital.) Rome, Ali-

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TO PREVENT MISTAKE

Dr. JORDAN, proprietor of the New-York Museum, of Astorleny has been so far from the extreme passion of the day as to publish a notice in the following terms:

No. 5 Washington place, next door to the New-York Tribune office.

For sale by Dr. JORDAN, at \$100 each, 10 A.M. to 9 P.M. every Tuesday.

No. 60 N.E. St. 80 & 82.

(refr.) Capt. Hancock, New York Herald & a good lot
New York have are here.

CORRESPONDENT, Aug. 15.—The Allan Line steamship
Quincy, Capt. Treloar, from Baltimore City 21 and
Hullish Aug. 8, for Liverpool, are here today.

CORRESPONDENT, Aug. 16.—The Allan Line steam-
ship Seattle said from here at 4:30 P. M. for New York.
Baltimore City, 17—The Great Eastern Line steam-
ship Cornwall, Capt. Williams, said hence for New York yester-
day.

TO PREVENT MISTAKE

Dr. JORDAN, proprietor of the New-York Museum of
Natural History, has been obliged to remove his specimens and
other articles of scientific him, thus leaving the museum
No. 5 Washington place, next door to the New-York
Exchange, open to the public from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M.,
and from 8 P. M. to 9 P. M.

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THE DEADLY PESTILENCE.

MARCH OF THE TERRIBLE FEVER IN THE SOUTH.

THIRTY NEW CASES AND FIVE DEATHS AT MEMPHIS—FIGHT OF HALF THE POPULATION—THE FATALITY OF THE DISEASE INCREASING AT NEW-ORLEANS—DESPAIRING PETITIONS FROM GRENADA.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 16.—Twenty new cases and five deaths from yellow fever have occurred within the past 24 hours. The disease is now yielding to the treatment of the physicians. A great many people left the city to-day. Some of the residence streets are entirely deserted, and many large stores are closed. A great number of the persons now sick are children, from 8 to 14 years old. With so many people out of the city, the great exertions of the Board of Health, and the care of experienced physicians, there is a hope that the disease will not spread over the city. The cases are at the infected district, the north-eastern portion of the city. The Board of Health raised quarantine this morning. At a mass-meeting held at the Greenlaw Opera-house, this morning a committee of 25 citizens was appointed to take such action as may be deemed necessary for providing places of safety for such of the people as are peculiarly unable to secure them without assistance. They requested Mayor Flipper to borrow \$30,000 for the relief of the poor and needy.

James Speed, ticket agent of the Memphis and Louisville Railroad, has sold \$35,000 worth of tickets since Monday noon.

At Grenada, according to special telegrams, there are about 120 persons now sick and nine deaths have occurred since the last report. The citizens of Grenada petitioned to the Howard Association of Memphis to leave their business, and request Gen. W. Smith and Col. Alexander Anderson to remain in charge of them. The Howard Association took favorable action on the petition.

New-Orleans, Aug. 16.—The reports for the past 24 hours show 108 new cases of yellow fever and 29 deaths.

The deaths to-day include 12 children, 10 of whom were under five years of age. In answer to a question, Dr. Chapin, President of the Board of Health, expressed the opinion that those who had previously had the fever were in no danger of taking it again, even though they had spent a summer or two away.

Six new cases and one death have occurred at Port Eads since the report of Grenada. Three well-known citizens, Henry B. Hanks, N. C. Folger, and W. B. Klempner, died here to-day, the last named of yellow fever.

APPELLING STORIES FROM SOUTHERN REFUGEES.

THE LOUISVILLE HOTELS FULL OF PEOPLE FROM GRENADA AND MEMPHIS—DIFFICULTY OF GETTING TO THE NORTH FROM THE STRICKEN TOWNS—GRASSY SCENES AT GRENADA—RICH AND POOR ALIKE TERRIFIED.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 16.—No one perhaps can better describe the scenes in and around Grenada than the refugees from that unfortunate town. Several prominent gentlemen, with their families, are here, having come up from Grenada on Tuesday night. One of the number is Gen. E. C. Walcott, with his family. He was at one time attorney for the Mississippi Central Railroad, and his connection with the road proved to be of great service to him in a moment when he needed all the influence that personal friendship could command. He telegraphed twice from Grenada to this city, asking to have a train stopped on Tuesday night. All the trains had been routed through the town, and the refugees of all who stood by the depot, making signals to express their desire to be taken away from a place so full of horror every moment. The second telegram received a favorable reply, and the train at 7:35 in the evening stopped, much to the consternation of the crowds of passengers who came up from below, all of whom dreaded the infection and were flying from it. Gen. Walcott's permit was for himself and family. His family, usually comprising only three or four persons, had suddenly increased to 30. He took under his protection every family not already gone from the town in wagons or by earlier trains, and a few recruits who would not go to the north.

The stories told by these refugees convey an appalling impression of the panic caused by the rapid development of the pestilence. On Sunday the excitement became general, only the physicians and a few persons who had seen and braved yellow fever before remaining. These gentlemen have come to this city saying they would not have come at all if it had not been for the advice of the Howard Association of Memphis, who counseled everybody to leave who could not fight and wanted to avoid it. The apprehensions of the women added to their own fears, and then little children, unaware of the danger about them, appealed to them to be taken to a place of safety.

On Sunday, when the disease was pronounced yellow fever without doubt, and the deaths were numerous, the hearse became busy. The two undertakers in the town were kept constantly busy. The hearse passed through the town who had not felt the infection, terrifying them with the reminder that they might soon follow in the same ghastly fashion, unattended by carriage or friends. The terror was equally great with rich and poor. Both classes had been carried off, and the disease did not appear to respect persons in the slightest degree. When the houses of the refugees were abandoned, they were left without locking the doors, and with only a word of admonition to the negro servants who remained to take good care of everything until the owners returned. One of the party, when safely out of the place, and the place, and the place, declared that he would not endure the horror of anxiety he had felt for three days for the title to every acre in Grenada, and that he would not induce him to return to the town until the fever was over.

On Tuesday night only the nurses from Memphis and New-Orleans, and the physicians of Grenada and New-Orleans, together with the families in which there was fever, remained to occupy the place. The shops had been shut since Saturday night, and few persons returned from the street except when necessity compelled them to do so. Since Wednesday no one has arrived here from Grenada. The trains would not stop, and were watched at the stations above to see that no one from Grenada was allowed to get off. The persons who went into the country near Grenada, it is feared in some cases, took the infection with them. In the disease developed after leaving they have fared badly, as they were probably far from medical attendance and the care of nurses of experience.

The panic at Memphis continues, and it is feared that all towns in Mississippi along the Memphis Railroad, and also along the Jackson road. Yesterday two special trains came through Louisville crowded with fugitives, and the negro train was as badly crowded as the white. Men, women, and children were huddled

HOWL FROM DEMOCRATS.

THE PARTY IN TENNESSEE ADOPTS A REMARKABLE PLATFORM.

AN EXTREMELY LONG PARTY DOCUMENT—THE REPUBLICAN PARTY ACCUSED OF ALL THE CRIMES IN THE CALENDAR—THE STATE NOT ABLE TO PAY ITS DEBT, BUT THE DEMOCRAT NEVERTHELESS DENOUNCES REPUDIATION.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

NASHVILLE, Aug. 16.—The introduction at the morning session of the gubernatorial Convention to-day of a resolution endorsing the Administration of Gov. Porter caused a great deal of excitement. After much uproar, a vast amount of opposition being made to the measure, a vote was taken and resulted in the adoption of the resolution by a two-thirds vote. This action was by no means complimentary to Porter, as many voted under protest, being willing to endorse the honesty of the present Governor, but indisposed to approve of his course. Out of courtesy, however, the adoption of the resolution was made unanimous.

Porter is politically dead and buried beyond resurrection. The resolution was a thing else. The balloting to-day and to-night was conducted amid great excitement. The high-tide men were divided between Fleming and Colyer, but at a late hour Fleming had apparently reached his limit, while Colyer received the same steady vote. The low-tide men gave their strength to Gardner and Savage. The platform adopted meets with general satisfaction among the Democrats, as it settles the question of repudiation, and it is probable that if a popular Republican is nominated on a low-tide platform by the convention that measure will be elected. Following is the platform:

In the name of the Democratic Party of Tennessee, we, its delegates, in convention assembled, solemnly affirm the Radical Republican National and State, before the bar of public opinion, as the author of all the misfortunes which now oppress this State, and threaten its future.

We further demand the passage of a law which shall be just alike to the laborer in the payment of his wages, and to the merchant in the payment of his debts. That this convention endorse the wisdom and patriotism of the Administration of Gov. Porter, and that it be a permanent record of the people's choice.

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After the adoption of the platform the following names were put in nomination: For Governor, Alfred Caldwell and John M. Fleming; for Lieutenant Governor, H. S. Sawyer, of Minville; Arthur R. Colyer, of Nashville, and John A. Gardner, of Weakley County. 13 ballots were taken for Governor without result. On the 12th ballot, Colyer, 434; Gardner, 218; and Sawyer, 191. The convention then, at 12 o'clock, adjourned till 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

DEMOCRATIC FEUD IN ALABAMA. SUDDEN INCREASE IN THE DEMOCRATIC VOTE IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY—THE GOVERNOR'S POSITION.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—A gentleman just arrived from Alabama confirms the statement of a prominent Democratic leader that the late election in that State. The Democratic ticket received in round numbers 4,700 votes in Montgomery County, when at the last election it received only 2,259.

Mr. Herbert, now Democratic Congressman from that district, received at the same election in that county but 2,389 votes, while Mr. Hall, his Republican competitor, received 6,248. At the gubernatorial election held in 1876, the Democratic ticket received 17,776 votes, while the Republican ticket received 17,776.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATIONS. Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

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DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 16.—The Republicans of the Third Congressional District to-day renominated by acclamation Stephen D. Lindsey, of Norridge. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the platform of the State Convention, declaring the main issue of the coming campaign to be the currency question, and protesting against the use of the word "repudiation" in connection with the late election.

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THE BOLDEST ROBBERY YET

HOW MR. FREUND'S SAMPLE CASE WAS REACHED.

SIS ROOM IN THE PALMER HOUSE, CHICAGO, ENTERED BY THE THIEF—\$15,000 WORTH OF WATCHES AND JEWELRY STOLEN DURING A HALF-HOUR'S ABSENCE OF THE OCCUPANT—THE SUFFERERS A MAJORITY IN THE HOUSE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—One of the boldest crimes ever perpetrated in this city was committed this afternoon in a room on the second floor of the Palmer House, whereby the representative of a New-York jewelry firm was relieved of \$15,000 worth of jewelry. This morning there arrived at the hotel, Mr. Henry Freund, of the wholesale jewelry house of Max Freund & Co., No. 8 Maiden lane. The trunk containing Freund's samples was sent to his room, and he took every precaution to see that no chance might be left for thieves to get into his room. He was frightened by the numerous heavy robes of late into believing that he would be waylaid if the value of his baggage were known. About 10 o'clock he went to dinner, but before leaving the room inserted in the key-hole a block of lead to render the apartment burglar-proof. Returning in the course of half an hour, Freund was about to find the door unlocked. On the floor lay watches, boxes of small chains and the cheaper kind of lockets lay in a pile. He had been robbed, and immediately went to Police Headquarters, and reported the robbery. Deputy Superintendent Dixon and Detective McGee were called to the hotel to investigate the matter. They found that entrance to the room had been effected through the transom window, and the lock broken off the door to admit the thieves. The thieves left two stumps behind. Mr. Freund scheduled his loss, and footed it up at \$15,000. The tools were found in a box of brown paper on which was a plan of the new Academy of Music in this city, in which they had evidently been wrapped. Deputy Superintendent Dixon and Detective McGee were called to the hotel to investigate the matter. They found that entrance to the room had been effected through the transom window, and the lock broken off the door to admit the thieves. The thieves left two stumps behind. Mr. Freund scheduled his loss, and footed it up at \$15,000. 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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates
for to-day in this region cloudy weather, with
frequent rain, warmer, southerly winds, station-
ary or falling barometer.

The Louisiana witnesses before the
Joint Investigating Committee seem to have
regarded their examination chiefly in the
light of a fine opportunity to gain notoriety
and distinguish themselves before the
country as they never had a chance to do
before. Mrs. JENKS had cut quite a figure
among the politicians of her State, but had
no reputation beyond its borders. No
sooner did she succeed in getting upon the
witness stand in Washington than she
contrived to attract the attention of the
whole country to herself by her postures
and a parade of her exploits and her
consequence in Louisiana politics. So
with ANDERSON, who distinguished him-
self by swearing to a picturesque but
incongruous and inconsistent variety of
things. Now comes Mr. LEER to figure on
the same exalted pedestal and display him-
self to a wondering world. He has been
particularly anxious that note should be
made of all that he did, even to his failures
in business, his losing his hair from camp
fever, and his unsuccessful efforts as a
school-teacher and as the editor of a
country newspaper. He is very solicitous
that everything shall be "written
down" fully and accurately, showing
his intimacy with the great men of Louisi-
ana, and he has ransacked his correspond-
ence for letters from politicians, treating
him as their confidant and familiar. The
whole purpose of his testimony, so far as he
is concerned, seems to have been to parade
himself as a person of vast consequence
and to gain notoriety, and the committee
have good-naturedly indulged his vanity.
It seems as though we had had enough of
these petty pretensions to greatness, and
that it was about time to let them drop into
the obscurity in which they belong.

Even so "liberal" a paper as the Cin-
cinnati Commercial is convinced that the
Democrats in the South, and especially in
South Carolina, are preparing to compel
the negroes to vote with them, or else to
prevent them from voting at all. Alluding
to the recent threats of the News and
Courier, of Charleston, the Commercial says:
"The shot-gun policy is to be revived, Re-
publican meetings broken up, the blacks in-
timidated, and the usual means resorted to
to secure a Democratic victory, which have
proved so successful in Mississippi, Ala-
bama, and other Southern States. The
South must be made to present a solid
Democratic front at all hazards. If the
Republicans will not come down and sur-
render peaceably, they must be made to do
so by violence. There is not a retired Ku-
klux or midnight masquerader in all
South Carolina who will not interpret the
language of the News and Courier as we
have done, and as the writer in-
tended they should do." There is no doubt
of the justice of these comments. We do
not know what the North is going to do
about it; but one thing is plain, it will not
do to make absolute confidences in Southern
good faith a shibboleth for Republican
candidates. If that is to be a test of Republi-
canism, it might be hard work to find enough
men in the party to stand for Congress, to
say nothing of those who are to do the
voting.

There is a curious difference of opinion
in the Republican and other journals of
France regarding the reported assumption
of a protectorate by France over Tunis.
M. GAMBETTA's paper, *La République Fran-
çaise*, is inclined to favor it. *Le Temps*,
supposed to represent the views of M.
WADDINGTON, the Minister of Foreign
Affairs, condemns it with a good deal of

earnestness. Doubtless, if any of the Eu-
ropean Governments were to assume the
charge of Tunis, France is placed to do it
most successfully. Her colony of Algeria
lies immediately to the west of Tunis.
Her own relations with the Tunisian
Government are of the most cordial
character. The telegraphic lines are
French, and we believe the railroads also,
such as they are, while there are many
French interests in the country. It is
certain that under French Administration
the resources of this fertile little
province, which was once the capital of
18,000,000 people, and under the name
of Carthage, disputed the Empire of the
Mediterranean with Rome, might be made
far richer and better than it is. But it is
doubtful if France would see her way clear
just now to anything more than the main-
tenance of the position that Tunis shall
not pass into the hands of any other country.

Our esteemed and perspicacious contem-
porary, the *Sun*, perceives in the formal de-
parture of Gen. B. F. BUTLER a sign of the
breaking up of the Republican Party. Gen.
BUTLER, it will be observed, is likened to a
rat—a rat which is sinking ship. It is
argued that if BUTLER, after seventeen
years of service in the Republican Party,
leaves it at last, the organization must be
going to pieces. If Gen. BUTLER has the habit
of jumping overboard what time his craft
begins to settle, we take it that the Demo-
cratic Party went to pieces in 1860, when this
exceedingly able politician scurried out of
it so precipitately. For twenty-five
years BUTLER was the most prominent
leader of the New-England Democracy. Up
to 1860, there was not enough vituperation
in the English language to express his
contempt for the Republican Party. After
voting for JEFF DAVIS in con-
vention, sixteen hundred times, more or
less, he deserted the Democratic Party,
which, according to all logical precedent,
went to pieces then and there. The Demo-
cratic Party, accordingly, must be very rot-
ten by this time.

The signature of the Austro-Turkish Con-
vention seems to be a dead letter as regards
the insurgents, who, as Austria is now
driven to confess, can only be dealt with by
bringing up the reserves which her over-
weening confidence has left inactive be-
yond the Danube; and the intervention of
the fierce riflemen of Albania, with their
unparalleled skill in irregular warfare,
threatens to make her task a hard one. A
fresh complication has just been introduced
by the Porte's decided and almost insistent
rejection of Greece's demand for a rectifica-
tion of frontier, though with a proviso that
this refusal shall be subject to the approval
of the European powers. The orders given
to Admiral HORVICH to withdraw his
squadron no further than Gallipoli till the
Russian retreat is completed, show that the
opinion held by the Czar's officers of "per-
haps more fighting yet," has supporters in
England likewise. The execution of HO-
RICH, the author of the first attack upon the
Emperor WILLIAM, has not deterred the Rus-
sian Socialists from a daring and partially
successful attempt to shoot the Chief of the
Imperial Police, the perpetrators of which
are still at large.

THE DUTY OF REPUBLICANS.

The Democrats are pluming themselves a
good deal on what they are pleased to call
the "disintegration" of the Republican
Party. They say that the President has hope-
lessly divided us, and that we shall fall an
easy prey to the united and invincible De-
mocracy. With the consequences that the
Democrats themselves may reap from this
view of our case, should it turn out to be
mistaken, we have nothing to do. If they
reckon without their host, it is their
affair should they be ultimately obliged
to pay a good deal more than they have
reckoned on. But the fact that they are
confidently relying on division in the Re-
publican ranks, and that they expect that
division to turn in some way on the policy
of the President, is one which Republicans
themselves may consider with profit.

It is not to be denied that the course of
the President has not tended to strengthen
the party, particularly his course with re-
ference to appointments. It has neither
been one thing nor the other. He has not so
consulted the managers of the party as to
unite them and to impart to the party what
ever vigor could be given it by the old sys-
tem of patronage in the civil service; and,
on the other hand, he has not established a
thorough and radical reform of the service
which the people could be called on to sup-
port, which the party managers could not op-
pose with success, and which would have
taken the question of appointments from
the field. The result is that his half-hearted
measures have given rise to some discon-
tent, while they have not aroused any well-
founded sentiment of satisfaction to coun-
teract that discontent. At the same time,
the general spirit, and the specific mani-
festations of the "conciliation" policy have
many very sincere Republicans, and the
politicians who are sore about the appoint-
ments will make the most of this feeling to
secure their own ends.

Whether this state of things shall result
injury to the party is for the party itself to
say. It is not right that it should do so,
and it would be criminal folly to allow it to
do so. There is a definite work for the
party to do, well-grounded principles for it
to sustain. If these are to be sacrificed to
gratify the pique of leaders or the sincere
but exaggerated sense of disappointment
among the rank and file, then the greater
will be lost for the sake of the less, and
even the less will not be gained. The times
come when every honest Republican will
consider, not whether things are exactly to
his liking inside the party, but whether his
duty does not require him to sustain his
party as it is, or at the best he can make it,
against its opponents. The politician who
strikes at the party in order to punish the
President, will make the gravest possible
mistake. Even on the lowest ground of
self-interest, he will be destroying the only
instrument by which he can gain his ends.
He may not have things as he wishes them
now; would they be any better with the De-
mocrats in full possession of the Government,
and every office in the land turned upside
down to reward the Democratic office-seek-
ers? The Republican who can neither un-
derstand nor approve of the Southern policy,
may equally ask himself whether he
would be better pleased with that which a

Democratic House and a Democratic Presi-
dent would set up. Whatever faults the
President has committed, it is time now to
remember that they are, as to speak, family
matters. It will do no good to try to cor-
rect them by handing over the country to the
Democratic Party, either directly by our
contentions, or indirectly by our negli-
gence and indifference.

Again, there is some danger to Republican
harmony in the National movement. No
doubt, that movement draws more heavily
from the Democrats than from us; but it
does draw from us nevertheless, and there
is a disposition in some quarters to "con-
ciliate" it. Such an attempt would be a
great error. The Republican Party as a
whole, is the party of honest money and
equal rights. The National movement is
in the direction of irredeemable paper
money and the oppression of the indus-
trious by the idle. We can make no prom-
ises to the participants in it which we could
keep. The very offer of encouragement
would defeat us, because it would drive
from our ranks, or keep at home, far more
voters than it would secure. For every
National vote bought by coquetting with
the wild and dangerous notions of KLANEY
and BUTLER, we should lose ten votes of
honest Republicans. On the other hand,
while it is fatal to trifle with the movement,
we have everything to gain by straight-
forward opposition to it. The Demo-
crats naturally tend toward it. Its
ideas are in the line of their own for the
past twelve years, and but little more ex-
treme. Everything, substantially, which
the Nationals ask for was advocated in the
speech of Senator THURMAN last Tuesday,
and the previous speech of Mr. HENDRICKS,
and these two men represent more
nearly than any other two in the country
the tendencies of their party. Mr. THUR-
MAN, at least, would not encourage the
Nationals, if he dared to do otherwise; but
he knows that even as an independent party,
without joining the Republicans, the
Nationals could carry away enough Demo-
cratic votes to deprive them of Congress,
and to defeat them in several important
States. He knows, as all the Democratic
leaders do, that it is a question of life and
death with them. They must court the
Nationals or go by the board.

In this state of things, it is not only the
duty, but the policy, of the Republicans to
stand by honest money and the right of
every man to his own earnings and his own
property. If they do not, they will run to
sure defeat; if they do, they stand a fair
chance of victory, for there are many pru-
dent and honest Democrats who would aid
them. This is the plain, common-sense
view of the situation, as it strikes us. If it
is a just one, our friends, whatever feeling
they may have about the President's policy
and conduct, will lay it aside, and unite for
the hearty defense of a cause which in-
volves, as much as in the days of the civil
war, our country's honor and welfare.

A HOWL FROM TENNESSEE.

The Democracy of Tennessee, in the lan-
guage of the world, are "on their ear." The
party held a convention at Nashville
yesterday, at which there was adopted a
platform which may be called "a regular
roarer." We make no doubt that the gifted
Tennessee person who drew up this plat-
form laid his handiwork before the Com-
mittee on Resolutions with a glow of con-
scious pride. It is an arraignment of the
Republican Party, and, until
we read these resolutions (we had
no idea of the wickedness of the organiza-
tion. The author of the platform of the
Tennessee Democracy is a man who has a
command of the English language which, in
the words of Cap'n Edgard Cutler, Mariner,
"is ekaled by few and surpassed by none,
as it were, so to speak." According to this
inframed person, the Republican Party is
"the bar of public opinion," as the author of
various high crimes and misdemeanors. First
in the blood-curdling list is the charge
that the Republican Party is "the
author of all the misfortunes which now op-
press and threaten the people." Too true.
It is notorious that the Republican Party
invented the yellow fever, the army worm,
and the Wallingford tornado, not to men-
tion the unusual prevalence of rains in the
North Atlantic States, and the scarcity of
long claims on the Rhode Island shore, for
both of which latter calamities the Republi-
can Party should be held personally re-
sponsible.

Again, the enraged Democrats of Ten-
nessee distinctly charge that "protesting its
friendship for the Federal Union, it sought
to destroy it by centralization." If there is
one crime more odious than another, it is
centralization. A rebellion against the
Government of the Republic may be passed
over as a venial offense, but a centraliza-
tion which seeks by force of arms and with
munitions of war to suppress the playful
attempts at rebellion in which the
Tennessee Democracy occasionally in-
dulge must be frowned down as a
crime against the liberty of the
people to do as they please. In like man-
ner, we are informed that the Republican
Party has "preached the gospel of hate,
and filled the land with blood, misrule, and
anarchy." Just so. It is notorious that
the late war, which filled the land with
blood, &c., never would have become neces-
sary if the Republican Party had not wick-
edly insisted on standing by the Re-
public, and thereby compelling the
undaunted Democracy of Tennessee to
fill the land with blood, &c. This
was very unfortunate, and it further
enables the Democracy of Tennessee to
charge this party with having "driven
American ships from the high seas
and utterly destroyed our foreign com-
merce." We are gratified to learn from the
Tennessee Democracy that this destruction
of American commerce is not chargeable,
as has been generally supposed, to the late
civil war. There was a corsair by the name
of SEMMES, to whose blessed memory the
people of Alabama propose erecting an
enduring monument, and whose share in
"driving American ships from the high seas"
is chief glory. Perhaps we are mis-
taken. Perhaps SEMMES and the other
pirates of that day were Republicans. The
somewhat hysterical utterances of the De-
mocracy of Tennessee lead us to infer that
history has heretofore gone astray.

On financial questions the Tennessee De-
mocracy are equally explicit and equally
aggravated. "The Republican Party," they
say, "this portion of the Nashville platform

is introduced with the formula, 'It betrayed
its trust when,' &c., very much as Mr. Tri-
bner's admirable platform, swung to and fro
on the hinges of, "Reform is necessary."
Thus, we are told that "it betrayed its trust
when it repudiated a contract dischargeable
in Treasury notes and substituted a coin
contract to the prejudice of the people." There
is a lucidity about this statement which could
not have originated outside of Tennessee. It
is a fearful arraignment from a party which
claps to its bosom an ex-Governor who
ran away with the State cash when Ten-
nessee seceded, and virtuously refused to
let either rebel or Federal have a dollar of
that sacred deposit. ISHAM G.
HARRIS was a Tennessee Democrat, and if
his friends are not now denouncing him and
his financial pranks, it is because they are
so busy arraigning the Republicans for
paying the honest debts of the nation.

With similar consistency, the Tennessee
Democracy view with profound disgust the
action of the Republican Party in "levying
excessive Excise duties upon tobacco and
alcoholic productions, which has encour-
aged the violation of the revenue laws." And
the same wicked party, "under the false
pretense of protecting the revenue service,
has turned loose upon the people irresponsible,
bloodthirsty men who kill and
destroy property at will." The moral turpitude
of a party which levies taxes for the mere
wanton purpose of encouraging
"moonshiners" is really too deep and dark
for the power of words to describe. And
language fails to paint the atrocity of what
have been turned loose upon a pastoral people,
gifted with a thirst for illicit whisky. No
other crime so malignant has been charged
against the Republican Party, unless it be
that alleged in the same tremendous plat-
form to the effect that the Republicans have
"fraudulently deceived the ignorant
blacks of the South and misled the credu-
lous masses." Evidently, however, there
are credulous masses which are not to be
misled. The Democracy of Tennessee know
a thing or two.

The Democracy of Tennessee, when they
come down to their own local affairs, are
strangely reticent. It is pretty well known
that the State is bankrupt. It is notorious
that the present Democratic State Govern-
ment is seriously considering how to repudi-
ate its own obligations. Accordingly, the
Nashville platform tearfully insists that
the financial question shall be temporarily laid
on the shelf. The Tennessee Democracy
have lofty and patriotic ideas con-
cerning the confinement of the National
Government to constitutional limits,
but none whatever as to the payment of the
interest on Tennessee bonds. The platform
plaintively remarks, however, that "these
differences of opinion afford no justification
for disturbing that unity which is so es-
sential to the complete success of the party
in its great struggle for the liberation of the
country." This is truly noble; it is a patri-
otic self-sacrifice. The Democracy, gen-
erally speaking, will offer State honesty on
the altar of liberty. It will be inordinately
virtuous in a large way, while States and
countries are impartially robbed.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The last quarterly report of the Bureau
of Statistics contains a "revised table
showing the States and Territories of the
United States which have established by
law the weight in pounds avoirdupois of a
bushel of different grains and other com-
modities." By this it appears that, by laws
dating from 1877 back to 1860, 29 States
and 4 Territories, besides the District
of Columbia, are in more or less accord
to the weight of a bushel in some forty ar-
ticles, the States which have not established
those weights being the two Carolinas,
Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas,
Tennessee, and Nevada. All the States
named agree that a bushel of wheat shall
weigh 60 pounds, except that Rhode Island
is silent; Maine and Delaware are silent,
but the rest put rye at 56 pounds; oats
range from 26 to 36 pounds; barley, 32
to 50; buckwheat, 42 to 52, and so on.
These are the most general agreements, but
the differences are not easily numbered,
some States having established the weight
for only a few articles, and some articles
having their weight established in only a
few States.

This result is worth noting as showing
how far it is from uniformity, where the
problem is the comparatively easy one of
adjusting a single, and the most common,
measure of bulk to the definite rule of
weight; but from the variations in this com-
paratively simple and exact matter, the
confusion existing in measures in general
can be inferred. Linear and weight meas-
ures are nearest to invariable, and the old
saying of the pithier may be altered into
"a pound's a pound, the world round,"
yet one must know what kind of pound,
after all, for there are three of them. The
avoirdupois pound is less than the Troy
pound, but the Troy ounce is more than the
ounce avoirdupois; the ton is 2,000 or
2,240 pounds, according as it is "long"
or "short," but, practically, it is as much less
than 2,000, as the coal-dealer chooses;
the mile is "statute," "geographical," or
"nautical." At the retail grocer's, a
basket not unlike a peach-basket is
sometimes called a "bushel" of pota-
toes; the quart and pint are vague quanti-
ties, and an attempt to define accurately
the "small measure" would be rashness
indeed; in general, judged by the bushel
and pint of old times, as existing in the
memories of most of us, there has been a shrink-
age in measures since the dollar of our fathers
expanded into the attenuated dollar of the
sons. At best, the existing measures of
bulk are inaccurate in use, even when them-
selves fixed. The half-bushel measure of
grain, according as it is particularly leveled
off at top with the "striker," fills the bag
more or less tightly, and the use of a bulk
measure for large solids like vegetables is
merely habitual guesswork. These articles
will not pack closely, varying in this respect
accordingly as they are large or small or
quite uniform or the contrary in size, or as
they are put in carefully or not; hence the
practice of heaping them above the meas-
ure, each dealer giving a law to himself as
to that. The actual substance, also, does
not agree with the bulk exactly, a juicy
vegetable being only a little smaller than
a fresh one. It is not long ago that the self-
measuring faucet, which delivers directly
into the customer's vessel, ended the old
practice of measuring out viscous fluids.

the dealer always getting the benefit of
whatever adhered to the measure, and,
sometimes, in cases of special thriftiness,
selling his thumb to every purchaser.

The simple adoption of weight measure
would, of course, remove these inequalities,
and although the question of dryness would
need to be considered in the case of wood,
there are very few solids now measured by
bulk which would not be more accurately
determined in quantity by weight; to the
retailer, who buys only to sell again, there
may be the chance of making a "barrel"
(another quite indefinite quantity) measure
more potatoes than he reckons it in buying,
but the consumer is concerned only with
the actual substance he gets, not with how
high it lay heaped in the retailer's measure.
Regulating the bushel by weight is really
using weights under name of the bushel.
As matters are, retail measuring is a
habitual guessing, with fixed but not neces-
sarily uniform measures to start from; it is
all acquiesced in, as a trifle not worth quar-
reling about, but if a quarrel should arise
and be taken into court, it would be an in-
teresting sight to see the contest defined
more closely than as, according to inveterate
habit in this country, "about."

Nothing clumsier, more complex, more
absurd, and more laborious than the present
mensuration tables could be devised,
unless by positive effort to reach absurdity;
the philosophers of the Academy of Lagoda
would be puzzled to out-do them. There is
no such thing possible as reforming them,
because not only is there too much of them,
(for example, three tables of weight,) but
they are all exception and no rule—an un-
relieved tax upon the memory to retain the
tables, and the mind to use them. Probably,
out of the adult male population of the
United States, even of those having re-
ceived more than the common-school edu-
cation, there are not three in a hundred—
teachers excepted—who can repeat these
tables; and as for the difficulty of using
them, aside from the vagueness already dis-
cussed, "square" and "solid" are a good
sample. These tables and the compulsory
use of them are an almost indescribable
nuisance, the distress they inflict upon the
child at school never leaving him afterward;
they are the bane of arithmetic. There is
no remedy for them but the substitution of
the metric system, of which we gave a full
description about a year ago. The difficulty
with that, other than the substitution of
new for old, is in its new and polysyllabic
terms, for the uncouth "avoirdupois" is not
in the table, and the old terms are nearly
all monosyllables. Representative STE-
PHENS—if his bill was not burlesque, with its
"nails," "drops," "spoons," "seeds,"
"corns," "nuts," and "hips,"—aimed, last
Spring, to make the terms easier, and that
is, perhaps, what the friends of the metric
system might wisely try. Outside of that
system, or some equivalent one, however,
there is no escape from the present confu-
sion, and nobody who means to be well-in-
formed can longer remain ignorant of it and
of its progress in adoption.

POOR PERU.

A Peruvian newspaper lately published a
story concerning the finding of an aerolite
of enormous size, in the centre of which
the Peruvian scientific person who cut it
open found the corpse of a man, together
with a silver plate inscribed with hiero-
glyphics, asserting that the aerolite, the
corpse, and the plate itself came from the
planet Mars. This story was not only pub-
lished in the leading Callao newspaper, but
it was evidently regarded by the South
American public as a clever and meritorious
lie. The fact is a most melancholy evi-
dence of the crude and inefficient way in
which the Peruvians lie. There is not a
country editor in the whole United States
who would admit so weak and ridiculous an
invention into his news columns. If this is
the best that the Peruvians can do after
nearly half a century of republicanism,
they are indeed an effete and spiritless race,
and it must be true, as the enemies of the
Spanish-American people often assert, that
they are unworthy of freedom and unfitted
for self-government.

Undoubtedly, the Peruvians mean well,
and tell the best lies that they can invent.
Indeed, it can readily be perceived that the
heart of the inventor of the aerolite story
was in the right place, and that his faults
were those of the head. The truth is that
the Peruvians have never been systematically
taught how to lie. Very probably, if they
had our educational advantages, they would
lie with intelligence and effect, and it is
hardly fair for us, puffed up as we naturally
are by our possession of ANDERSON, and
scores of other liars but little inferior to him,
to despise the Peruvians for what is their
misfortune, rather than their fault.

The American citizen is surrounded from
his youth with every facility for becoming
an accomplished liar. Our politics furnish
him with a constant succession of illustra-
tions and examples of able lying. He soon
learns that one of the two great political
lies is held together and maintains its exist-
ence simply by constant and skillful lying.
There can be no doubt as to this, for the
other party persistently says so, and were
it not true, then that other party is neces-
sarily a monstrous and multitudinous liar.
If he has any real and earnest desire to be
come a liar, he need only study the conduct
of political campaigns. There is probably
more good, workmanlike, sincere lying done
in this country during a Presidential elec-
tion year than in one of the decrepit
European monarchies in ten years. More-
over, the very finest class of delicate artifice
lying is to be found in the field of Ameri-
can politics, and we may point with pride
to the work of the Potter committee, and
challenge the most accomplished liars of
any age or country to produce anything that
can be justly ranked with it.

But it will be said that Peru also has
its political parties and its Presidential
elections, and that these ought to fur-
nish the Peruvian with a good school
for lying. We must not forget, however,
that Peruvian politics are conducted very
differently from American politics. In Peru,
a Presidential election consists in the march-
ing of a regiment of troops into some public
square and the issuing of a proclamation
by the commanding officer to the effect that
he has decided to assume the Presidency.
This plan enables the Peruvians to prac-
tice great economy in political lying, and, in
fact, renders it difficult for any one to be-
come a thorough liar merely by studying a
Peruvian political campaign. One single
Returning Board in some small Peruvian

district would accomplish more in this di-
rection than a dozen elections.

Again, the American liar has the inesti-
mable educational advantages afforded by
the Custom-house. As a school for the
teaching of perjury, our method of collect-
ing duties is beyond all praise. The mer-
chant who imports ten dollars' worth of
goods to this port is compelled to go from
desk to desk in the Custom-house, swearing
to a fresh affidavit at every desk, and thus
learning that oaths are mere forms, and
that perjury is light and easy. Every pas-
senger who lands in this country from a
European steamer is invited to swear that
he has nothing dutiable in his possession,
and it is estimated that 91½ per cent. of
such passengers either ignorantly or inten-
tionally commit perjury. In addition to
the Custom-house, there are our law courts,
in which the litigant can hardly advance a
single step without swearing to something.
The influence which the constant making
of affidavits has in breaking down our nat-
ural, though foolish, prejudices against per-
jury is very strong, and there is no better
foundation for broad and thorough lying
than the habitual practice of perjury.

Now, the Peruvians are almost entirely
without facilities for perjury. They have,
indeed, a Custom-house, but the importer,
instead of swearing his goods through,
simply distributes a few dollars among the
revenue officers, and thus effectually con-
ciliates them. Where such a state of things
exists, perjury cannot be expected to
flourish.

Of course, there are Peruvians who can
commit perjury on occasion, but if even the
best of them were to undergo one of our
competitive examinations in simple perjury
and plain lying before a Congressional com-
mittee, they would cover themselves with
disgrace. We thus see that the Peruvians
should be pitied rather than blamed for
their inability to produce first-class lies.
The story of the aerolite is, indeed, a
shameful one, and is unworthy of a fifth-
rate American liar, but instead of despising
the originator of it, we should reflect that
he probably lied as well as he could, and
that he is not to be blamed because his
country does not possess the facilities which
we have for producing Andersons, or even
"Greenback" orators.

The average Englishman seems to think that
every American literary production of much
or minor consequence must have been bor-
rowed, stolen, or commonly, in his opinion,
from British sources. A characteristic example of
this is the statement in the London *Figure* that
HOWARD, "with transatlantic impudence," adapted
his comedy of "Saragosa" from CHARLES WYN-
HAM's "Brighton." If the *Figure* had known what
it was writing about, or had cared to inform itself,
it would have been aware that "Brighton" is simply
an arrangement of "Saragosa" for the English
theatre, and that the author went to London
for the express purpose of putting it on the stage.
With certain verbal changes necessary to its
presentation, HOWARD also went to Berlin, where
"Saragosa" was rendered into German, and
produced under a new name. We shall be reading very
soon that "Saragosa" is stolen from the German.
There is a good deal of fishing of plays under
the name of comedy, and it is not to be
wondered that, and mainly from the French, but
not much more than there is in England. When we
have an original drama, however, and London repro-
duces it in slightly altered dress, it is positively frigid
to pretend that the original form is stolen from the
other side.

For several months Stamford, Conn., which
having regard to the large contingent of business
men it daily pours into this City, may be regarded
as almost a suburb of New-York, has been in the
throes of a temperance struggle, in which the
temperance advocates have gained the mastery.
There is about which some will think even more de-
plorable than the fact that the town, although convenient to the Sound,
and easily drainable, is utterly destitute of any
system of drainage, and more than one case of
typhoid recently traceable to the percolation of
sewage into drinking water is reported. Its strange
that while any amount of advantage is derived
from the town's exporting their lungs in preaching tem-
perance, scarcely a voice is raised in pulp or lecture-
room about the scandalous penny wise and pound
foolish sanitary neglect which sends strong men
to their graves and undermines the constitutions of
thousands. For how many thoroughly recovered from
typhoid fever? Here is a suggestion for the ap-
proaching lecture season.

The question whether "Old Abe," the cele-
brated eagle that was carried through every engage-
ment of the civil war in which the Eighth Wiscon-
sin Regiment participated, is actually dead or alive,
is a subject upon which the Northern and Southern
countries people contend that Ancient Abraham died
years since, full of age and honors, and that the bird
recently put forward at divers exhibitions is a base
counterfeit. The Madison (Wis.) papers maintain,
on the other hand, that the eagle survives, and
promises to be good for another war. Chicago de-
clared that there were two birds, and that one of
them retained its fall vigor, while the other, dying
some time since, gave the impression that it was the
eagle. There are more North-Westerners who are
willing to take oath that the bird recently paraded
on political occasions is a stuffed specimen with
wires at the wings, which are made to flap in order
to deceive a too credulous public. It is not
likely whether Old Abe has or has not gone to
the crumbly paradise; whether there are one or two
or twelve of him; but the North-west, particularly
Wisconsin, can not be persuaded to believe so.
A paper of

STORMY SESSION OF THE HARMO-

some plan of action, in a manner satisfactory to all parties. This was accepted, but when Mr. Blair was interrogated as to

regular. The committee then adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock this morning.

indebtedness, as reported to the court, are two suits of clothing, which he values at \$30.

NIBLO'S THEATRE CHANGES HANDS.

Mary Smith, aged 18, of No. 487 Third Avenue, and
Officer Kiernan, of the Eighteenth Precinct. Miss

...walking away, when he followed her and renewed

the Association of Twelve Industries will probably be held on Friday or Saturday of next week.

NEW-YORK.

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at short intervals and at reduced rates. Gen. Patrick donates the use of his farm for the encampment.

peace now blowing over Europe such a war-no

in an effectual way while despotic power prevails is well to inculcate on united Italians what a

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A RISE IN MINING STOCKS.

the holder to realize the money invested, if not a handsome profit. I have seen stocks go from \$20 to 90 cents, and within a year to jump up again to \$25. If the fluctuations are great, so are the profits. The chances in mining stocks are fully equal to those of legitimate business. For, according to statistics, only one merchant in a hundred succeeds, and the average of mining stock speculators is as good as that. If not better. An advance in stocks is a

night at his country seat at Belmont, formerly the country residence of W. O. Ralston, which many Eastern people will remember from having been invited to his hospitable board. Fifteen hundred invitations have been issued, and a train of cars placed at the service of the guests. On their arrival at the station, it is 28 miles from town, 50 4-horse teams will be in waiting to take guests to the house, about half a mile from the depot. The young people ex-

on the Central Pacific Railroad, the other day, was a little girl whose frock was adorned with a sash. In seeing herself, she happened to sit down on a piece of the track, and, finding her bottom sore and stiff, she gave an expression of pain on her features, exclaiming: 'Oh, goodness! What is the matter, little girl?' He asked a passenger in a seat near by, 'Oh, there ain't much the matter,' was the reply, 'but you just better bet your bottom dollar that I ain't going to sit down on that sash again in a hurry.'"

rank. Believing that an officer under the new system would rather stay in than go out, their deter-

hour, but the gentleman does not make his appearance. A little later, however, the banker receives a note saying that Mr. — had been taken sick during the night, and felt unable to leave his bed; but that if the bills could be sent to his room the gold was ready and would be paid. A clerk was dispatched with the bank-bills, but he was accompanied by a Police officer in citizen's dress, who

natural "spas" we art can produce. In their own country they have natural hot batins, and from their wonderful healing properties a nation has grown up who know and practice bathing. Even in Russia there is hardly a family that is so poor as to be deprived of the comfort of a steam bath at least once a week.

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The Signal Service Bureau report for today indicates clear or partly cloudy weather, possibly rain, and warm southerly to colder north-west winds.

MISTAKEN DEMANDS.

It is a strange characteristic of the present time that those who represent the claims and wishes of the mass of the people should be demanding an increase of the powers and a multiplication of the functions of the Government. Heretofore, the cry has been for greater liberty of the people, less interference of governing authority, and a reduction of public administration to the fewest functions consistent with security and the protection of the Commonwealth. Self-government rests on the idea, not only that the people may be trusted to choose their own rulers and to select those who are to make and administer the laws, but that they are competent to take care of themselves and to conserve their own interests, without being continually restrained or driven forward by official power. With an intelligent, virtuous, and industrious people, government could be reduced to a very simple affair, and need scarcely be felt at all. It is only an ignorant, vicious, and perverse people that need to have everything done by the Government, and to have their course marked out for them by law. But though our people are claiming for themselves exceptional wisdom and uncommonly exalted motives and purposes, they are at the same time crying out for more government. They are anxious, apparently, to surrender the self-control and freedom of enlightened citizens, in order that they may be subject to a vast and complicated body of laws, which will require a greatly-increased force of public officials to execute. They are calling on the Government to control commercial interests by keeping in its hands the regulation of the currency, to take upon itself the management of lines of transportation, to settle the people upon farms and furnish them with capital, to see that all are provided with employment at good wages, and at the same time to limit their hours of labor and exercise a constant supervision over their private affairs.

Strangely enough, the very men who are demanding this extension of the powers and functions of government belong to the class who are most violent in denouncing despotisms; and advocating popular freedom. They evidently do not see that they are doing their best to prepare the way for a despotism more odious than that exercised by any monarchy in the civilized world. They are working with all their might away from the principles of liberty and of a genuine popular sovereignty. Suppose for a moment that their present demands could be complied with; what would be the result? They think that a government with everything to do would be safe and would do right, because dependent on the people and presumably obedient to their will. But our experience thus far shows us what a strong tendency there is, with a great body of office-holders and of professional politicians, for the people to lose their control over affairs and be at the mercy of those whom they have placed in positions of power. These same men who clamor for reform through Socialist processes, are denouncing the old political parties, and for what? Because they have abused their trusts, favored monopolies, disregarded the interests of the people, and aimed at their own profit and aggrandizement in the public service. And yet they would increase the force of these subject to the same temptations and beset with the same opportunities. The very evils of which they complain have resulted largely from the increase of public business consequent upon the civil war and the multiplication of the Government, and yet they would

increase by aggravating its causes. The difficulty of reforming either party, or of effecting any regeneration of the public service, is due in great measure to the fact that there is so much political power wielded by men in official positions, and so much inducement for others to labor to get into office. The people find it no easy matter now, in any party or out of all parties, to secure the nomination of men who are their real choice, or to carry elections by honest and disinterested votes. Increase the domain of the public service, multiply laws and offices, enlarge the field of patronage and of power, and they would find their task immensely heavier. It would soon become impossible for them to exercise control or restraint over the vast combination of governing agencies which they had set up, and it would control them with an iron rule which they could not break. The inevitable result would be that the political machine would fall under the management of cliques and combinations of men, possibly in the end under the power of one man, and the people would wake up to find that they had builded worse than they ever dreamed of, and were living under a despotism of the most unbearable kind.

The way to increase the power, and at the same time the freedom, of the mass of the people, is to make the Government as simple as possible, with the smallest number of duties compatible with an efficient administration of necessary functions, the fewest offices and officials, the least legislation, the slightest association of governing and controlling men. Then, what there are can be more easily held to their responsibility; there will be a better chance of having what is done well done; and the opportunities and temptations to corruption and an arbitrary use of power will be reduced to the minimum. If the people know what will conduce to their own well-being, they will beware of increasing and multiplying the functions of the Government, and will rather demand their reduction and simplification. There must be restraint on the one hand and protection on the other, wherever there is a tendency to an encroachment upon rights; but in the field of fair competition and free effort there should be the least possible interference of law and of authority. It is out of such interference, almost inevitably misdirected and mismanaged, that the derangement and distress from which labor and business are suffering first sprang. To attempt to set matters right by still greater meddling would be madness, and the demands of Labor Reformers and Socialists are in direct hostility to the rights and interests of a free people.

THE RESULTS OF THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE.

The hundred Anglican Bishops gathered at the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury have not separated without an encyclical letter of considerable importance. The special matters which were laid before the conference largely concern the internal arrangements of ecclesiastical organization and the harmonious relations of diocese with diocese, that they have little interest for the general public. The letter plainly indicates that the Anglican body is gradually feeling its way to what may be called comprehensive unity of action. There is nothing sensational, nothing which specially arrests attention in this reaching out to definite principles by which actual or possible ecclesiastical difficulties may be removed; but for this very reason the recent Lambeth Conference is entitled to great praise. There was no call for a new departure in religious doctrine or in methods of religious work. The point of insistence has been to awaken the whole Anglican, or, rather, Anglo-Saxon, body to a clearer consciousness of its position; to prevent distant colonial or missionary bodies from feeling isolated; to make widely-separated people feel a common impulse; to centralize by sympathy and common purpose rather than by tightening ecclesiastical strings. There is great wisdom in this. The restraint, the patience, the resolute silence of the conference is admirable. Even its closed doors, so that the public only knows results, not the processes by which they have been reached, is to be commended. The letter, however, speaks discreetly on certain points of present interest, advising rather than dictating what shall be done. The Old Catholics, now somewhat divided by the question of clerical celibacy, will be strengthened by the appointment of a committee, consisting of the Bishops of England and Ireland, with the Bishop of London, the Primate of the Scottish Episcopal Church, the Presiding Bishop of the American Episcopal Church, the Bishop superintending Anglican congregations on the Continent of Europe, and the Bishop of Gibraltar, to whom they can look from time to time for advice and assistance. This is accompanied by a reaffirmation of the protest against the Church of Rome which always goes with official documents of any section of the un-Romanized part of the Catholic Church. The letter touches lightly but decidedly upon the current religious questions in England, marriage, Ritualism, and confession. The Bishops think that "steps should be taken by each branch of the Church, according to its own discretion, to maintain the sanctity of marriage, agreeably to the principles set forth in the Word of God, as the Church of Christ hath received the same." In dealing with Ritualism, they "affirm the principle that no alteration from long-accustomed ritual should be made contrary to the admonition of the Bishop of the diocese." Plain enough for any one to understand is the authoritative position of this communion in regard to sacerdotal confession. The Bishops record it as "their deliberate opinion that no minister of the Church is authorized to require from those who may resort to him to open their grief a particular or detailed enumeration of all their sins, or to require private confession, previous to receiving the Holy Communion, or to anoint or even encourage the practice of habitual confession to a priest; or to teach that such practice of habitual confession or the being subject to what has been termed the direction of a priest, is a condition of attaining to the highest spiritual life." It is a common saying that the finger of the Bishop has more weight than a priest's whole loins, and these deliberate opinions of the whole Anglican Episcopate cannot be without significance and weight in toning down the excessive desire of many people to enter upon lines of action in religion which are reasonably forbidden. Little as this conference has accomplished, we honor those who

have done so little, and because they have dared to speak with the utmost plainness where there was a call for definite opinion. The wisdom of discreet utterance is not always vouchsafed to religious assemblies. We are so familiar in this country with resolutions passed by heated organizations which are found to be utterly impracticable when applied to actual life, that the words, few and fit, which these Bishops have thought best to speak, seem to be endowed with unusual meaning. They will bring order out of chaos, and help to restrain religious excess where it exists.

Our American Bishops seem to have been birds of bright and peculiar feather in the conference. The *Guardian* says that "they are just sufficiently foreigners in England to call for the exercise on our part of the courtesy due to guests and strangers; yet so far one with us as to share all the Christian feelings and the highest Church interests which give an ecclesiastical conference its value and life. Their diocesan and conventional organizations demand careful study from us, even if they do not exactly harmonize with our traditions, and the spirit in which their laymen appear to do their part in the whole business of the Church is full of instruction to all promoters of Church assemblies on this side of the water. Their Bishops seem to have commended themselves to the good opinion of their brethren at Lambeth by that straightforward simplicity of speech which springs from a practical habit of mind. It is always satisfactory to have to do with men who know what they mean, and who are accustomed to translate their meaning into action. American Bishops have not been fettered by the social and political complications of an old country; and out of their freedom they can spare some gifts to us in return for the obligations under which the mother Church has laid them long ago." Our Bishops must have behaved with great good sense and discretion to have won words like these from the leading organ of opinion in the English Church, and the fact is not without an influence upon the ties, broader than religion, which now bind the two nations together. The *Guardian*, speaking from a fuller knowledge of the conference, and admitting that its reports do not measure its usefulness, thus sums up its indirect yet not unimportant results: "To have taught the rulers of distant Churches to set together, and to have made them fully acquainted with one another's feelings and modes of thought—to have kindled among a large number of Bishops a friendly interest in the hopes and wants of poor and isolated communities; to have awakened the great majority of them to a livelier sense of the oneness of their work in the sight of God amidst manifold diversities of outward condition; to have deepened charity and recommended forbearance; to have revived old friendships and promoted brotherly kindness among those who had been strangers before—will be among the best and most fruitful results of this gathering of one hundred Bishops under the Archbishop of Canterbury's hospitable roof."

It is naturally a source of satisfaction to a man to know that he is healthy and strong, and he is entitled to feel pride in his ability to outrun, outwalk, or outswim his fellows; but why should any one care to have his physical points measured mathematically, as we measure the horse-power of a steam engine? Yet, there are multitudes of men in whom this desire is very strong. In old days, the Coney Island beach was lined with the itinerant owners of odd-looking machines, who greeted visitors with the cry: "Here you are! Test your lungs for ten cents," or, "Walk right up, now, and try your strength for a quarter." In response to these invitations, hundreds of human beings would walk right up, or concede that they were there, and thereupon blow through unsavory tubes, or strain themselves by lifting heavy weights, in order to obtain certificates setting forth their lung or limb power. That this should have been a satisfaction to anybody, except the machine owner, is incomprehensible, but it was a manifestation of a passion deeply implanted in nearly every human heart.

To this passion the inventor of a new pedometer which has recently been brought out appeals. It is his belief that if every man learns that by carrying a small instrument in his pocket he can know at the end of each day just how far he has walked, he will instantly go and buy that instrument. Undoubtedly the inventor is right. There are thousands of men who are ready to buy pedometers the moment their attention is called to the existence of such devices. If you ask them why they want pedometers, they will say that it is in order to know how many miles they may have walked within any given period. If you press the matter, and ask them why they want this knowledge, they will straightway be stricken dumb, or, forgetting the dignity of their sex, will effeminately and irritably reply: "Oh! because." There probably never lived any honest man except a professional pedestrian or an explorer, who really felt that it would do him any good to know the precise length of his daily walk. A wicked man may, indeed, pervert a pedometer to the service of vice, by exhibiting it to his wife whenever the latter requests him to go on an errand for her, and calling her attention to its carefully falsified record, which shows that he has walked forty-three miles, and is consequently utterly tired out. In this case, however, the value of the pedometer would be in proportion to its ability to lie. A truthful and trustworthy pedometer would be as worthless to the wicked as to the just. Nevertheless, man is born with a yearning to reduce himself to figures, and as the pedometer panders to this desire, he buys it.

The particular pedometer to which reference is here made is put in motion by the hour communicated to the human pocket whenever the owner of the pocket in which the instrument is carried takes a step. As a matter of fact, a man seldom alters the length of his step when walking, and hence, if at the end of a day he divides the whole number of steps recorded by the pedometer by the number which are equal to a mile, he can find how many miles he has walked. When Mr. Mahoney, of Clinton, Ill., read the advertisement detailing the manner in which the pedometer worked, he said to himself that it was a most simple and beautiful instrument, and that he would send for one without delay. Mr. Mahoney

is a slight, consumptive, and peaceful man, and is married to a most excellent and energetic woman, who is described by her female acquaintances as "a great two-footed thing"—it being their opinion that no woman can with any self-respect own more than one foot. On the day when he received his pedometer he put it in his pocket, and walked a mile down his railroad track and a mile back again. An examination of the pedometer told him that he had walked precisely two miles, and he was delighted with the result.

That evening the baby cried, and when Mr. Mahoney was ordered by his wife to go to his watch to play with it, he gave it the pedometer by mistake. The infant rather approved of it, but still persisted in occasionally bawling its want of judgment in being born in Illinois, and Mr. Mahoney was, therefore, compelled to get up and rock the cradle. He was a patient man, and he rocked the cradle for nearly two hours before he fell asleep. He had reason to regret that he had suffered sleep to overpower him, for about 3 o'clock in the morning Mrs. Mahoney, justly exasperated at the unnatural wretch who preferred sleep to rocking the infant, threw a shoe at him and woke him up. He had just replaced the pedometer in his pocket, when his wife, feeling that forbearance was no longer a virtue, rose up and shook him for ten minutes without cessation.

The next morning at breakfast Mr. Mahoney, with a view of propitiating his affectionate wife, showed her the pedometer and explained its operation. "Yesterday, my dear," he remarked, "I walked exactly two miles—one mile down the track and one mile back. No! I give you my solemn word, I did not go any where else, and I didn't see her or any other girl. Now, if you will open the pedometer you will see that the index stands at the figure 2, which proves that I walked two miles only." What was his horror when Mrs. Mahoney requested him to take notice that the index pointed to "17," and that it thus convicted him of having walked to and from the residence of an objectionable young woman with red hair, who lived just eight miles and a half from the Mahoney mansion. The scene that followed need not be described. Betrayed and libeled by his own pedometer, Mr. Mahoney could make no coherent defense, and it was not until he found himself lying in a dark room and subjected to the soothing influences of arnica and brown paper that he remembered that he must have rocked the baby at least six miles, and that Mrs. Mahoney must have shaken him fully nine miles on the previous evening. He no longer puts faith in pedometers operated by the jarring of the human body, and has given the instrument, which so nearly proved his ruin, to the baby as an aid in the development of teeth.

THE STUDY OF LANGUAGE.

Philology is a term that sounds in the ears of most people very much as alchemy or astrology must have sounded to the ancients. The words "an eminent philologist" conjure up a vision of a pale person surrounded by Rig-Vedas, Githas, Sagas, and other works of inconceivable remoteness from modern literature, whose lighted thoughts are intertwined with Assyrian cuneiform inscriptions, and who patters the conjugations of the verbs in his *Pand-arvasta* as trippingly as a boarding-school miss does of her *Tidmque*. Yet if we are speaking of a chemist, what one is there among us who would not be interested to go into his laboratory and observe the beautiful results he produces by his knowledge of the properties and relations of substances? Or if it be of an astronomer, to visit his observatory and listen to his accounts of voyages of discovery, by telescope, among the planets. We feel that we know something of chemistry and astronomy, for these two sciences are taught in our common schools and academies. The science of language is not taught in them, and very little attention is paid to it in our colleges. That makes the difference. But the range of things that may be known widens so much faster than the capacity to grasp and hold them, that teachers, Trustees, and Boards of Education should be requested to add a new branch to the established scheme of study only in cases of grave urgency.

For the private student, however, be he university bred or graduated from a red school-house on a Vermont hillside, for the man or woman of any height of intellect, or liking for intellectual diversion or profit, there are delights and benefits, honest pleasures and lasting advantages, in the study of this science. A preliminary word as to its difficulty and the necessary equipment. It is a mistaken notion that one must know Latin, Greek, Sanskrit, and various other languages in order to comprehend philological facts. The patient, laborious investigator—the toiler who brings to the light of day the truths we are to study and admire—must know many tongues as accurately as he can. We can follow him appreciatively and grasp the grand historical and structural facts of language in plain English; though a rudimentary knowledge of one or two other languages is an advantage—especially of a highly-inflected language like Latin or Greek.

Indeed, a knowledge of a few more, for the most general components of an assembly of words, and they are called synthetic; analytic languages, like English and French, use separate words for the purpose. It is well to understand the distinction. The interest and fascination of the study of linguistic science spring from its bringing us to thoughtfully consider the charm, the mystery, and the deep significance of speech. It is our greatest inheritance, but it is an exceedingly common, every-day affair, and very likely we have not thought much about it; we can make excellent practical use of it without knowing or caring how we came by it. Yet the history of the origin, growth, decay, and changes of form and signification of the little words we use so freely and so easily; the story of the rise and development of language; the formation and spread of dialects by the division of great families, inseparably associated, small these are, with the growth of the human mind and the course of races, are as tempting to study, and when studied as satisfying, as the history of Empires or the principles of physical science. A man who desires to be well educated thinks it worth while to study minutely the history of nations and of dynasties, of invasions, conquests, and migrations of peoples. Why does it not equally become him, if he would be really well educated, to master also the history of the language of his people, and to throw off their allegiance to the Ford and stood once more independent and proud, the most brilliant phenomenon in the Greek Church, in some respects rivaling Rome herself. The history of JOHANNES CATALOGUS gives a very vivid picture of their power, both social, political, literary, and religious, and the manner in which they used it. In 1354 the Emperor abdicated and became a monk himself at Mount Athos, and he lived

in the English language, with the Latin, Greek, German, Russian, Persian, Sanskrit, and some others, belongs to what is called the Indo-European family of languages, which has certain well-marked peculiarities which distinguish it from the other great families, like the Semitic, which includes the Hebrew, Arabic, and Syriac as its principal members, and the Turanian, or Scythian, which comprises Turkish, Hungarian, and many other tongues. Such facts as these, with many other leading and illustrative truths of philology, should certainly find a place in the mental storehouse of every intelligent and well-educated man. Education is based on studies which discipline, inform, or adorn the mind, and this study does all these, while, at the same time, it is one of the most delightful of pursuits. It is full of pleasant surprises, of revelations of the kinship of relations and harmonies between familiar things, and it suggests themes for reflection and stimulates profitable thought. It leads the student to a knowledge of what men did and suffered, how they lived and treated each other, what their thoughts and capacities were before history began to write her clear record, and it throws a revealing light upon many dark pages of written history.

But the student of language ought to be told that there are some things he should not do, and others he cannot hope to do. Let him not study the history and derivation of words with the mere purpose of "improving his style." Archbishop Tacton unfortunately fell for this. He has studied words—not language—and has written books upon them. A word has little interest for him if there be not a sermon or a moral in it, and he seems to write always with a dreadful consciousness of the metaphor wrapped up in the words he uses. His "style" is as painful in the reading as it must have been fatiguing in the writing. And we bear our student to guard against the peril of too much ambition, which will lead him too far, and of over-confidence, which will cause him to make mistakes. To enjoy, or profit by, the study of philology, it is not necessary that he should go on a wild hunt after ultimate roots, or grope amid the beginnings of things for the secret of the origin of speech. In such roachings and note pursuits he might hurt his head against the wall of the Ark or smash himself on the possibly picked top of Eden's garden wall. He will learn very early in his reading that the oldest attainable forms of the great families of language are widely separated, do not appear to be converging even, and that philology furnishes little evidence of their genetic unity. This may cause him to jump at the conclusion that there were many first parents of the human race, or that the one primal family was dispersed before it had developed anything more than the rude beginnings of speech; but he will learn to regret haste and rashness in such grave matters. He will be likely, too, to dip into evolution before he has finished his studies in language. That will tend to complicate his researches, and to confuse and unsettle him, and it is not to be recommended.

THE MONKS OF MOUNT ATHOS.

The Treaty of Berlin says, in article 57: "The Monks of Mount Athos shall be maintained in the possession of their privileges and advantages, and shall enjoy, regardless of the form of nationality, full equality of rights and prerogatives," which means, on the one hand, the continuation of a social and political anomaly of the most glaring character, the nursing of a pestiferous tendency spreading ignorance, superstition, and swindle throughout the Greek Catholic world; and, on the other hand, a compliment to the bigotry of the Czar, the preservation in his hands of a most formidable tool of despotism. Mount Athos is the most eastern of those three peninsulas which, from the Chalcidic, shoot forth into the Egean Sea, and is connected with the main land by a low and narrow neck, through which, in olden times, XERXES dug the famous canal, now sanded up. The peninsula itself is high and mountainous, rising saddle-like from the shore of Mount Athos, reaching its marble peak at Mount Athos, reaching a height of about 7,000 feet. But this huge mass of compact, metal-bearing rock is, by deep ravines and wild gorges, cut up into a series of the most exquisitely romantic landscapes, with magnificent forests of oak and chestnut on the peaks, with luxuriant plantations of figs, olives, and vines on the slopes, with perennial brooks running through the gardens of the valleys, with a sunshine and a shade such as are equalled on no other spot on earth. Both medieval writers, NICOPHONUS GREGORIUS, *History*, XII., chapter 8, and modern travelers, TISCHER, *Die Mönche der Halbinsel des Berges Athos*, 1860, VICTOR LANGELOUS, *Le Mont Athos*, 1867, R. CUBZON, *Visits to the Monasteries of the Levant*, 1850, describe the land as a paradise. This paradise is, at present, inhabited by about 6,000 monks and is surrounded by a lattice of the small town of Karyia, situated in the centre of the peninsula, where also the Turkish authorities reside. The former live partly as hermits in huts or caverns in the forests, partly as monks, properly speaking, in 21 large monasteries scattered about the peninsula, mostly along the coast. To each monastery belongs a little port capable of accommodating fishing smacks and minor coasting craft, and provided with a little citadel. Also, the monasteries themselves have a fortress-like appearance, being surrounded with high, rectangular walls. The largest, richest, and most celebrated of these monasteries are the Laura, Iviron, Vatopédi, and Bessio, the three first being of Greek origin, the last of Slav. Some of the monasteries are governed by abbots, who exercise an absolutely despotic authority; others are under democratic control, being governed by an assembly of the inmates. Affairs common to all these monasteries are settled by delegates assembling in Karyia. No women are allowed in the peninsula, which precaution, however, has not prevented the paradise from having its serpent.

According to the local traditions, the first hermits were directed thither by the Holy Virgin herself, and to her are all the various institutions consecrated. According to reliable historical documents, the place seems to have been peopled by anchorites as early as the time of CONSTANTINE the Great, but the first regular monastery, the Laura, was not built until 903. Then followed the Iviron, in 950. At the close of the twelfth century the peninsula was covered with 500 monastic establishments. The latest of the now existing monasteries, the magnificent St. Dionysius, was founded in 1375. In the history of the Byzantine Empire the monks of Mount Athos played a very conspicuous part, and they enjoyed an almost divine respect. When, after being repeatedly sacked by the Crusaders, they availed their pride and submitted to the authority of the Roman Pope, in order to obtain his protection, INNOCENT III., 1198-1216, received them most graciously, and addressed them in a letter as the "celestial army fighting victoriously on the earth against Satan." On the restoration of the Byzantine Empire by the dynasty of PALAIOLOGUS, they threw off their allegiance to the Pope and stood once more independent and proud, the most brilliant phenomenon in the Greek Church, in some respects rivaling Rome herself. The history of JOHANNES CATALOGUS gives a very vivid picture of their power, both social, political, literary, and religious, and the manner in which they used it. In 1354 the Emperor abdicated and became a monk himself at Mount Athos, and he lived

here in company with NICOPHONUS GREGORIUS and other literary notabilities. At the same time, however, Mount Athos sanctioned and adopted the doctrines and practices of the Hesychasts, one of the wildest, most fantastic outgrowths of the mystical tendencies of the Greek theology, and from that day begins its decay. With a most singular, not to say scandalous, submissiveness, the monks bought from the Turkish Sultan a lease of life and property. They paid, and say still, a tribute of 500,000 piastres a year (other say 20,000). In the middle of the sixteenth century, when France BELLOUS visited them, there was not one among them who could read or write. The difficulty of raising the tribute-money drove them finally into speculations of a rather eccentric character. One-half of them left Mount Athos and spread over the principalities of the Danube and Russia, begging and peddling, and it soon became known that they were intimately mixed up in political intrigues, and took part in many commercial transactions from which even a Jesuit might have shrunk. The generous contributions which, since the time of CATERINE II., have flowed from Russia into the lap of Mount Athos have improved the institution somewhat, but it is still a centre of ignorance and superstition, and the circumstances that most of its present inmates are Russians or Slavics makes its political distastes very suspicious.

THE OPIUM TRAFFIC.

Only a few weeks have passed since the Chinese Government issued one of the most stringent edicts regarding the cultivation of the poppy which has ever appeared in that country. As to the sincerity of the Government in this matter we, of course, have no means of knowing, but of its ability to enforce the edict there is no reason to doubt. In any event, our attention is attracted to a subject the area of which is a very wide one. The constant immigration of Chinese, together with the extent of the use of this noxious drug in the United States, as well as a series of articles recently published in this paper, renders the opium question one of great importance to this country. If we look to the source which supplies us with the seductive drug, we find that this pernicious traffic is due primarily not so much to China as it is to England. The British Government succeeded in India to the Mogul Empire and all its prerogatives and powers, among them a monopoly of opium. No opium in British India is grown except for the purposes of the Government, and main and sub-agencies regulate its production. It is removed from the land to factories under the Government, and sold to China merchants. In 1829 and 1830 less than 8,000 chests of opium were sent to China from Bengal. In 1853 and 1854 the trade reached its maximum, 84,000 chests being exported. The average since then has been 52,000 chests per annum. In 1873 there were 560,000 acres in British India, and about the same number of acres in native India, devoted to the growth of the poppy, or over a million acres in all. Seventeen per cent of the total income of India in 1872 and 1873 came from the sale of opium, while in 1876 one-sixth of England's entire revenue from India, or about \$42,000,000, came from this source alone. In 1840 the practice of smuggling opium into China had attained a development which is fearful to contemplate. It was prohibited by the Celestial authorities, and they insisted on seizing all the contraband goods which were found almost exclusively in the hands of English merchants. The British denied the Chinese this right, the war of 1842 followed, and by the Treaty of Nanking China had to pay about \$100,000,000 extorted by England. After this treaty a second convention was concluded, which recognized the right of the Chinese to seize smuggled goods; but the system continued, however, connived at, so it has been claimed, by the British authorities. Time passed, and in 1859 it was openly asserted that England insisted on the opium trade because she was determined to ruin and corrupt the Empire. "China," said the officials to the British authorities, "supplies your country with good tea and silk, and you in return deluge China with destructive opium."

The English Government has gone to enormous lengths for the sake of maintaining this opium monopoly for the benefit of its Indian revenue. China has long endeavored to check the traffic, but "British interests" are involved, and the Chinese Government is not permitted to suppress its importation or check for the future evils which the English have promoted in the past. Lately, however, this subject has attracted the attention of a large and influential party in England, and a strong effort is being made to induce the present Government to ratify the Chefoo convention, which since 1859 has been left unreciprocated. This convention, or rather that clause of it which is of most importance, is that an arrangement different from that affecting other imports may be entered by the British Government, and that this question, British merchants, when opium is brought into China, will be obliged to have it taken cognizance of by the Customs, and deposited in bond until such time as there is a sale for it. The importer will then pay the tariff duty upon it, and the purchasers the local tax. The party in England to which we refer is known as the Anti-Opium Society. Its members object to the use of opium except as a medicine, and, therefore, to the production of opium except for medicine. They object particularly to the trade being carried on by the Indian Government, and over and above all they are opposed to the course pursued by Great Britain in China in connection with this drug. They protest against the injustice of preventing China from getting the revenue she wishes, and contend that that country ought to be left perfectly free to admit, to exclude, or to tax opium, at her own discretion. They put this question, either opium is rightfully injurious to China or it is not. If it is, why should England compel China to admit it? and if it is not, why may not China as lawfully raise revenue therefrom as the English?

The Chinese envoys to England have also interested themselves in this matter to an extraordinary degree, and not a great while ago they sent a memorial from London to their imperial master recommending the gradual suppression of opium. The memorial scarcely did more than allude to the effects of the practice. It contained no declaration, no denunciation, no picture of miserable death and ruined homes; it considered the subject from the ground immediately held by the Chinese Government, that the occupation of the mass of the population should be the production of a food supply. It said that for many years agriculture had been abandoned, and drew a sketch of the future population of China with no means of livelihood, "with shriveled necks and hollow visages, gasping painfully for breath." It was in answer to this memorial from the Chinese Government to England that the Chinese Government issued the edict mentioned at the beginning of this article. The heads of clans and villages are called upon to put down the growth of the poppy; the ability is thrown on their shoulders, and if the people refuse to listen to them, punishment must be meted out to the offenders. The restrictive measures indicated are the employment of a wholesale system of supervision, the dispensing of anti-opium prescriptions, and a scale of degradations and literary disqualifications for all those who smoke or connive at smoking. It is true that nothing is said about measures to repress importation; all that is now intended being to stop smoking and prevent cultivation; but the good intention cannot

be mistaken. In the interests of a common civilization it is to be hoped the British Cabinet will lend its assistance to this great undertaking on the part of the Chinese Government. As showing the prevalence of the poppy cultivation, we quote from the report of one of the British Consuls, which has just been presented to Parliament: "In ascending the numerous rivers wherever cultivation existed, we found numerous fields of poppy. We walked some hundreds of miles through poppies; we shot wild ducks in the poppies, which had already stupefied themselves by feeding on the narcotic vegetable." It is from this enormous effort of production that England has more to fear in the end, perhaps, so far as her Indian revenue is concerned, than from the success of any efforts of the Celestial Government to check the spread of opium-smoking.

HECTORING HEALTH.

Robust, perfect health is so glorious in itself, and so signally satisfactory withal, that they who possess it are inclined both to contentment and patronize those without it; and this mixture of contempt and patronage is very like bullying. It is, unquestionably, very hard for a man who has not, and who has never had, any ailments, to sympathize with an invalid, or to understand why anybody should be ill. He is apt to think that there is no need of sickness of any sort; in fact, that sickness is culpable, and might be cured by a little attention to hygienic laws, or even by a proper effort of will. He is a healthy man, and he verbally "Look at me! Nothing the matter with me! I take care of myself. Why do not others follow my example? If they did, they would be well enough." He forgets that he really takes no care of himself; that he obeys all his desires and caprices, and only by physical good fortune is saved from suffering.

It never occurs to him that he depends on, and is indebted wholly to, his constitution for his rugged health and whatever belongs to it. Instead of seeing that it is, in a certain sense, luck, he ascribes it all to merit. He carries his splendid health triumphantly, yes, boastfully, seeming to fling it in the face of those who he meets, particularly of those who are never quite strong, who are always reminded of their mortality. How are you? he rolls out in his full voice, to the invalid, the feeble, the consumptive, the dyspeptic, and to the answering, "Not very well," he scarcely represses a sneer. "Not very well!" he echoes rebukingly; "now, that's very strange. You ought to be well, perfectly well. Some people will be forever out of sorts. Others, again, are always at their best. I enjoy magnificent health; never have an ail or ache. Capital appetite; eat anything; sleep like a dormouse; fine spirits; never let anything trouble me; life's too short to worry. Moping over one's condition, seeing doctors and taking medicine don't pay. I might have done that kind of thing myself; but no fretting or fasting, no doctors or medicine for me."

Imagine these phrases repeated constantly, with slight variation, to the face and in the ear of an invalid or valetudinarian, and it is easy to perceive how they may affect him. He is made to feel, in presence of the grandly corporeal creature, as if he were unworthy to unloose the latches of his shoes; as if he were incessantly inferior, positively degraded, simply because he cannot command his rebellious body to do all that he would like. It is said continually and truthfully that the society of invalids is depressing. But it is never mentioned, and seldom thought, that the society of the ruggedly healthy, who insist on proclaiming their health, is distressing, as well as depressing, to him who is less fortunate in such regard. The man of physical soundness who has sapidity, apathy, tacit, insight, is welcome, helpful, inspiring to the valetudinarian. But he appears to be an exception. Lustiness of frame, big the perversity of fate, seldom goes with nimble intelligence and nicety of judgment; delicacy of mind appears to be related to delicacy of body; excess of health overflows and soils manners. It is singular that people blessed of body do not often refrain from parading and exaggerating their advantage before those who are deprived of it. Sharp contrast is prone to be a source of pain to him that has the worse of it, and swaggering, hectoring health is an implied accusation and reprimand to the ailing and infirm, even without pronounced self-satisfaction. "Talk not of hollers in the house," says the haughty, is a discreet proverb of the Scandinavians. Equally discreet advice would be: "Boast not of health to the unhealthy;" for these are like to be morbidly sensitive to any expressions that may be construed into reflections upon them. It is bad enough to be ill, without perpetual reminders of illness. While we ache we ache doubly when somebody intimates that we need not ache at all, if we would resolve to be at ease, or if we had followed a course that was simply impossible to follow. Amiability itself is in danger of exasperation when told that what is most desirable might have been attained if something had been done that has long since ceased to be practicable.

If the ailing will but watch their opportunity, they may get satisfaction of the burly bores. Even the sturdy of body, when they are ill, they occasionally make a great ado, a most indignant display of weakness. Having hitherto been free from qualms and pains, they fancy the least of them serious; they are alarmed at a cold in the head; they read their obituary in a passing colic. At such times they should be visited in assumed condolence, and be politely informed that their afflictions are trivial; that you had borne them a hundred times without a murmur. This will do them good physically, and shame them into better behavior toward the ailing when they shall have recovered. He who has crooned over trifles is apt to be guarded against in company of him who has been in the groaning and smiled at the inadequate cause. But merely as a question of civility, we should try to show our enthusiasm at our health in the atmosphere of the infirm, and remember that any assumption of superiority is a degree of bullying.

ARMY AND NAVY MATTERS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—By direction of the Secretary of War, Capt. A. B. Kimball will relieve Capt. J. H. Balch of his duties as Chief Quartermaster of the District of New Mexico. Capt. Balch will proceed to Yuma Depot, Arizona, and relieve Capt. Lord of his duties at that place. Capt. Lord will take station at Fort Union, New Mexico. The Superintendent of the Mounted Recruiting Service will cause all available colored cavalry recruits to be forwarded, under proper charge, to Fort Garland, Col., for assignment to the Ninth Cavalry.

The Navy Department has received dispatches from Rear-Admiral Le Roy, dated "Flag-ship Trenton, Cherbourg, France, Aug. 5," which say that after a cruise, the Trenton arrived there on the 4th inst. The Mission

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HIS RAID ACROSS THE BORDER AUTHORIZED BY THE WAR DEPARTMENT.—THE SITUATION NOT REGARDING DANGEROUS TO CABINET OFFICERS.—THE MINISTER APPREHENSIVE OF TROUBLE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Attempts have been made during the last few days to create another Mexican sensation. Ingenious persons have conveyed to newspaper offices late at night a story that United States troops had crossed into Mexico, and that there had been a collision with Mexican troops. The basis for this story comes this morning in press reports from San Antonio, that Col. Mackenzie has been ordered to cross the border in search of cattle thieves. A statement, however, is given to the subject, said there was no foundation for any sensation. It was quite probable that troops had crossed. Such an event would be in accordance with the instructions to Gen. Ord issued last June. Ord's instructions simply meant that if cattle thieves made depredations upon our territory, and Mexican troops did not prevent or punish them, the United States forces would. "Strictly construed," he said, "enforce upon the territory of another country with armed forces, in time of peace, is an act of war; but these operations of Mackenzie were in no sense acts of war, and were not understood by the Mexican authorities. In every case, the United States officers were instructed to notify the Mexican officials that robbers were committed, and that the thieves would be followed across the border if the Mexican authorities could not arrest them. The difficulty upon that section of the border," Mr. Seward said, "is that there are no Mexican authorities to notify. The country is a wilderness. The expedition of Mackenzie does not mean war or anything like it. It simply means that the border thieves have again resumed their occupation; that Mackenzie has discovered it and is pursuing them. If the Mexican Government was able to prevent these marauding incursions into our territory, the United States would gladly refrain from doing what it has been doing, and would leave it to the duty of its citizens. The United States was ready to enter into treaty stipulations with Mexico, and would be glad to arrange for a united effort on the part of both Governments looking to the suppression of these disorders on the border. The Mexican Government, however, has refused to do this. It has refused to join in such a treaty, and until it does so we shall be compelled to pursue our present policy. It is not a policy of war, but more than doing police duty for Mexico."

Mr. Seward does not entertain the remotest apprehension that our troops will meet with resistance from the Mexicans. He believes it is possible that organized bands of thieves and marauders may attack our troops, but the Mexican Government cannot be held responsible for their acts. The course this Government will adopt in the latter contingency he is not prepared to state.

The Secretary of War stated to your correspondent that he had received no official communication from Gen. Mackenzie on this subject, and that the only information he had was derived from a letter from the general at such unusual importance to Gen. Mackenzie's reported action, which he presumed was true. The orders to Gen. Mackenzie were explicit, and if he had crossed the border, he would have been less than so in pursuit of cattle thieves and marauders.

Zacoma, the Diaz Minister here, does not take a cheerful view of the situation. He is a Cabinet officer. While carefully avoiding saying anything that might be considered to reflect upon the United States, he is not without evidence that the action of Col. Mackenzie does not please the Mexican Minister. He said he had received private advice from San Antonio confirming the reports of the general, and believed that his information was correct. Zacoma said: "Mackenzie is a brave soldier, but it is a dangerous power to intrust to any soldier to march across the border with armed forces into a friendly country." He had seen reports, he said, in newspapers since July of a conflict between the United States and Mexico, the object of which is to secure a better condition of affairs along the border. Movements like that of Mackenzie, he thought, should follow, and not precede, any such agreement.

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THE MONETARY CONGRESS.

A LONG ADDRESS BY MR. GROESBECK IN FAVOR OF SILVER.

PARIS, Aug. 17.—Yesterday's session of the International Monetary Conference was almost entirely taken up by Mr. Groesbeck's address. He laid much stress on the popularity already enjoyed in America by the silver metal. He described the situation in the United States, and the law of 1873, demonetizing silver, was passed. He vindicated Congress from any suspicion of a selfish motive in restoring silver to its former status. He said that the silver purchased by the Treasury of the United States had been bought in London, and that, according to the best authorities, the silver production of Nevada would diminish in value.

FRANCO-AMERICAN COMMERCE.

A LARGE MEETING IN SUPPORT OF THE TREATY AT TOURS.

TOURS, Aug. 17.—A numerously attended meeting was held yesterday, under the presidency of M. Belle, Member of the Chamber of Deputies and Mayor of Tours, in favor of the conclusion of a Franco-American treaty of commerce. Speeches were made by MM. Belle and Wilson, members of the Chamber of Deputies; Leon Chouteau, and Messrs. Pollock, Appleton, Young, Jodanis, and Rosewell. Mr. Rosewell, the French Ambassador to Turkey, was also present. The meeting resolved that the draft of the treaty voted by the Franco-American conference deserves the attention of the French Chambers of Commerce. The Tours Chamber of Commerce was requested to examine the draft and give an expression of opinion upon it.

CHRISTIAN YOUNG MEN.

GENEVA, Aug. 17.—The World's Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, now in session here, is meeting with a measure of success highly satisfactory to its promoters. The average attendance at the conferences is 1,000. Delegates are present from Belgium, England, France, Holland, Spain, and the Protestant cantons of Switzerland.

MISCELLANEOUS FOREIGN NOTES.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 17.—The assassin of Gen. Menevskoff died on Gen. Markoff's, Chief of the Corps of Genesides, who endeavored to assassinate after the general had established the Chief of Police. From this circumstance arose the first report that Gen. Menevskoff had been killed by a pistol shot.

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A STRANGE HOSPITAL TALE

PLEASE CUT MY FINGER OFF

A BROOKLYN MAN HAS A FINGER BITTEN, AND A HOSPITAL SURGEON OBLIGINGLY AMPUTATES IT—WEAR CAUSED RUSSELL'S DEATH.

The strange manner of the death of Mr

THE FOUNDER OF THE ST. VINCENT
DE PAULA

The reprinting of the memoir of the founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The time had now come when the youth of 21 years was to step out into a larger arena. The Abbé Lacordaire had just found his vocation while giving a course of conferences in the chapel of the Collège Stanislas. Orphan and his friends, anxious for the restoration of Catholic religion, and knowing what Lacordaire could do, conceived the idea that such conferences should be held in the Cathedral of Notre Dame, and that Lacordaire was the man to undertake them. They interviewed the archbishop, who at length hesitated. Lacordaire had started the rumor and the archbishop feared that he might be accused of promoting Rome. Convinced by the arguments of Orphan and his friends, the archbishop gave his consent.

THE FIRST CONFERENCE AT NOTRE DAME AT THE AGE OF 21. HIS LIFE AND WORK. BY KATHARINE ORPHAN. NEW-YORK: CATHOLIC FOUNDATION PUBLISHERS, 1906.

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THE OPERATIONS OF AUGUST, 1777

Some years ago, while the opera of "I
Brigande" was drawing all New-York to listen

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that is this on part of the city that the Greeks do not really begin to understand. The authors of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries have revealed the truth from one of these poor patients: "You should not be surprised that the Greeks are so ignorant of the sciences. There you will believe yourself a thousand miles from the sumptuousness and the elegance of the French capital, and you will be reminded of the Quakers and the Plain Royal. Here everything is different—streets, costumes, language, manners, and customs. The French are so much more refined and frank Provencal bruyannes growling in the primitive type, estimate that the suspicion of the Greeks is that they are not so much as the French, and all the Greek profiles that no intermixture of strains of blood has weakened. Take a run, then, through the streets of the city, and you will see those heroes threatening to fall are sustained by supports reaching to the sky. The Greeks are not so much as the French, yourself in Marseilles while passing through the city of Scheila, Rue de Kompassa, and many others in the city of the East. The Greeks are not so much as the French have never penetrated."

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This is notice that
On the 1st day of August, 1878, a warrant of bench
for the District of the District Court of the United
States for the District of New-Jersey, against the said
Edward S. Fitch, of Ridgewood, in the County of
Essex, in said district, who has been adjudged a bank
rupt, in his own petition; that the payment of any debts
the delivery of any property belonging to such
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for Boston, **Monday**, July 8, 1907.
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his **Dumas**, for Bordeaux; **bates** **Lemora**, for Seattle;
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Bark **Kathleen**, from **London**, arrived **Friday**, which
was anchored here, came up to the Pier 126.

SPOKEN.

July 16, 1st 10, 11 AM. **SS** **1907 W.**, ship **Albatross**,
Ry, bound **E**, **SS** **10**, **United States** frigate **Wyoming**, from **Naval**, for **Washington**, D. C.

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CAB. Arvey, from New-York Aug. 3, for this port, see adv. here.
 LEVERMORE, Aug. 17.—The steamship Ariel, (Br.) Capt. Kells, from New-Orleans July 35, for this port.
 GORDONIA, (Br.) Capt. Williams, from Montreal July 31, at Quebec Aug. 3; Delmarre, (Br.) Capt. Lussan, from New-York July 31, and Pembroke, (Br.) Capt. James, from Boston Aug. 6, all for this port, have arr.
 HAVAS, Aug. 17.—The steamship Labrador, Capt. Anglander, left for New-York at noon to-day.

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however, is clearly of the opinion that a capitalist is an enemy of mankind, and he thanks God that he is not as other men are—lecherous bondholders and midnight thieves—but an honest manufacturer, who has his money invested in mills. All this the type-setters cheered; but chiefly were they delighted with the proposition that a day's work ought to be limited to one hour.

Precisely why Congress failed to make any appropriation for the pay of three special agents and three clerks for the Southern Claims Commission is not known. This, however, was what Congress did, and, as appropriations were made or withheld in the most capricious manner, it is possible that this particular appropriation was not intended to legislate these persons out of office. But, as soon as it was discovered that no provision had been made for the pay of the officials, it was claimed that the commission must give up their services. The act of 1872 makes permanent the tenure of the offices held by the agents and clerks, and the First Controller has just decided that the failure to appropriate money for their pay does not end their official existence. They have a valid claim on the United States for their compensation up to the end of their term, which has nearly a year more to run. If anybody thought to hamper the Southern Claims Commission, there must be a disappointment.

A correspondent of THE TIMES sends a startling account of the desolation wrought at Grenada, Miss., by the pestilence. It is difficult to imagine a town left so nearly uninhabited as this; and when even the negroes, who are usually proof against yellow fever, take the alarm and flee for their lives, Grenada must needs be almost a solitude. Only seventy-five white people are now left in the town, and the sick among these are not properly cared for; there are not enough well people to nurse the dying. The virulence of the disease in Grenada seems to be almost phenomenal. Of the 200 cases developed within the past nine days, not one has shown any symptoms of recovery; and, in many instances, the stricken patient has fallen a victim to death within a very few hours after the first attack. It is too late to draw any practical lesson for Grenada from this remarkable epidemic; but there ought to be some valuable observations gathered from such a painful experience, useful hereafter for warning and preventive.

"POOLING THE ISSUES." The Butlerian phrase which KEARNEY is credited with inventing is the expression of tactics that are not confined to the trumpet-drummer from San Francisco and his adherents. "Pool all your issues" may not be literally the counsel of more reputable party leaders, but it is the plan which many of them have virtually adopted in shaping the outlines of the Fall campaign. KEARNEY's purpose is to bring together all possible influences in support of a wild crusade against the rights of property and whatever authority stands in the way of his anarchical projects. The purpose of the leaders of the regular parties who act upon the rule which he has formulated is to evade the responsibility involved in explicit declarations of principle, and to profit by the largest license in bidding for votes. The brutal violence of KEARNEY is peculiarly his own. His method as a politician is an adaptation of the device always employed by men without principle in the conduct of partisan affairs.

Gen. BUTLER's candidature, if it amounts to anything, will be a shameless exemplification of the doctrine which KEARNEY has been sent forth to preach. WENDELL PHILLIPS has had the reputation of a man intent upon tearing down while destitute of practical ability to reconstruct, but at least he has been faithful to certain defined principles and has not pandered to the base passions of a mob. "Pool your issues" is a direction coined in a different mint. There is no pretense of principle. A popular leader who earnestly advocated intelligible ideas, and attempted to divert votes from the old parties by a strong exhibition of individual conviction would deserve consideration. We might dissent from his notions, but we should recognize the redeeming virtue of sincerity. Such a man, however, would never talk of "pooling the issues." He would proclaim his principles and invite only those who accepted them to rally around him. The Butler-Kearney programme is of the opposite character. It almost brings together every conceivable faction. The lazy and shiftless have grudges against society will, of course, have no objection to any help they may derive from the various sets of peculiar people who are expected to "pool their issues" for the benefit of demagogues. The assumed readiness of people with crochets to forego their aims for the sake of enticing persons who do not even affect the possession of principle is a strange commentary upon the moral sense of movements which presume superiority to ordinary partisan tactics. With the worthless and dissatisfied the case is different. To them, "pooling the issues" has no meaning. Their sole "issue" is with those who are better off than themselves, and KEARNEY's senseless abuse suits them exactly. One who is not inebriated with principle can very well afford to ask others to forego principle and help him to break up parties.

The indecency of the procedure is readily appreciated when BUTLER ventures to explain his desertion of the Republican Party. He has not a word to say about its principles, and does not pretend to be scrupulous about the means of effecting its defeat. "Pool your issues" is the sum of his advice to its opponents of every grade and to the discontented of every degree. It is infamous advice, as any one who reflects a moment must perceive. But its infamy passes uncondemned in many quarters, because politicians who would deem themselves aggrieved if eluded in the same category with BUTLER and KEARNEY, really act upon the rule in their own sphere of party management. The Massachusetts Democrats who stand prepared to vote for BUTLER, with the view of keeping a Republican out of the Governorship place themselves on his level. They cannot pretend to be guided by principle. On a broader scale, and in a different way, the Democratic leaders in other States are doing the same thing. The "pooling of issues" is their con-

trivance for ridding themselves of the difficulties incident to the financial question, and for checking the defection occasioned by the Greenback-Labor agitation. At the outset, they tried to hide this disposition. The vague terms they employed in the treatment of the financial issue were supposed to be adequate for the purpose. It was believed that they would propitiate the Greenbackers without shocking the ancient faith in honest money. But the mass of the Greenbackers, with all their faults, cherish a purpose too steadfastly to be tempted too easily. Therefore the Democrats have been obliged to yield still more. "Let us all pool issues" is their saying to the Greenbackers and the Labor Reformers in States where these factions are powerful. Any semblance of principle is given up. Everything is subordinated to the possibility of success, and KEARNEY's maxim is but the avowal of a policy which the Democrats are carrying out in doubtful States and even in States where the pretext for license is less obvious. Everywhere it has a demoralizing tendency, and one that becomes stronger every day. So far as finance is concerned, the little character which the Democratic Party had at the close of the late session is gone. The leaders have "pooled issues" with the Greenbackers until the latter have the Democracy at their feet. What KEARNEY preaches Senator TRUMAN has practiced.

It is satisfactory to note a totally different tendency on the part of Republican managers. While their opponents have surrendered principle at the bidding of demagogism, they have gradually acquired a clearer estimate of the situation and a more courageous spirit in the discharge of its duties. The proposal to throw all issues into a heap and to cover that heap with the tattered "bloody shirt" has been silently dropped. The common sense of the party has effectively stifled the cry with which a few leaders imagined that victory might be won. Equally wholesome is the change that has been wrought in the handling of the financial question. There was a willingness here and there to "pool issues" that that question might be avoided. An eminent Senator of this State wondered at the fatuity which led New-York journals to denounce the greenback and silver movements, which, in his judgment were too formidable to be assailed. He would have courted and conciliated them by silence, and would have "pooled the issues" had they so desired. Timidity of this sort is disappearing. Mr. BLAINE, whose attitude at one time seemed equivocal, has responded to the honest impulses of his party with a frankness which other leaders must imitate if they would achieve the success for which it is preparing to fight. The policy which attempts to conceal an abandonment of principle under cover of "pooling the issues" should be left to the Democrats, and to the worthless crowds who see in BUTLER a prophet and in KEARNEY his high priest. The true policy for Republicans is to emphasize clear issues, and to so present them that there can be no room for doubt as to the position in regard to them maintained by the Republican Party.

INDIAN WARS AS INVESTMENTS. If it be true, as tidings from Idaho assert, that the Bannock war is substantially over, we shall soon be entitled to an official reckoning of what it has cost and what it has come to. Happily, it has not proved nearly as bloody as most of its predecessors, comparatively few soldiers and settlers having perished; but its pecuniary cost, reckoning the expense of transportation, of volunteers, of extra supplies, of material used up or lost, and so on, is likely to approach or exceed a million dollars, exclusive of the property destroyed by Indians. Yet, on the high authority of Gen. CROOK, it is declared that "hunger, nothing but hunger," drove the Bannocks and Shoshones to the war-path; and Commissioner HATT says that these Indians had, through insufficient appropriations, long been on short rations, which was their cause of complaint, and that he had urged an increase of \$15,000, which Congress refused to grant.

If this latest of our Indian wars stood alone in the negligence or recklessness that caused it, it would still point a moral. But it is only the last item in a disgraceful as well as costly catalogue. Not to go back more than a quarter of a century, the Sioux war of 1852 to 1854 estimated to have cost upward of \$20,000,000, besides hundreds of lives and much private property. At the close of that war broke out an \$8,000,000 war in Oregon, lasting two years; some accounts trace the original cause of trouble to an outrage by a white man on an Indian woman, although it was unquestioned offenses of the Rogue River Indians that our troops punished. The four Navajo campaigns, arising from trivial causes, cost, it is said, \$28,000,000, though this seems an extravagant estimate.

The famous, or, rather, infamous Cheyenne war of 1864 is well remembered. A ranchman went to Camp Sanborn and stole the Cheyennes of stealing his stock. A detachment of troops went to find the stock in the Cheyenne camp, and failed. Coming upon some armed Indians, they undertook to disarm them. An encounter followed, and so began the war. However, during the following winter some of the chiefs, with their hands, voluntarily surrendered at Fort Lyon. The officers guaranteed them protection, and caused them to camp on Sand Creek. While there encamped, a regiment of Colorado volunteers, under Col. CHIVERTON, approached, and began an indiscriminate slaughter. The warriors, who were mainly absent consulting with the rest of the tribe or procuring food, were driven to fury by the butchery of their wives, old men, and babes. The Kiowas and Comanches joined them, and this Cheyenne war is said to have cost \$35,000,000, though that is, perhaps an overestimate. It certainly cost many lives, for the slain soldiers and settlers were numbered by hundreds. So much for firing upon peaceful Indians, to whom the national flag was no protection.

A treaty of peace with the Cheyennes, made without difficulty in the Autumn of 1865, was so well observed that, a year later, Sept. 30, 1866, Gen. SHERMAN wrote: "The tribes are harmless and peaceable, and the Cheyennes and Arapahoes are off after the buffalo. Only one Indian was seen and he was seen by me." There is a fine bit of poetry in what Mr.

make a decent excuse for an Indian war. I have traveled all the way from Laramie, without a single soldier or scout. I met a single man unarmed traveling along the road, as in Missouri. Otis and horses graze loose in their owners' pastures, and the Indians are as tame as the sheep. The Indians might easily make a descent on these scattered ranches, yet they have not done so, and I see no external signs of a fear of such an event."

In the following April Major-Gen. HANCOCK attacked a village of Cheyennes and Sioux, on the Pawnee Fork, burned down the homes of three hundred lodges, and all their provisions, clothing, utensils, and property of every description. The Secretary of the Interior reported to Congress, the next year, that this attack was "with out any known provocation." It is not to be believed, however, that any officer of the regular Army would make such an attack without known provocation; but for our present purpose it is enough to note that the resulting war was estimated by the Secretary to have cost \$40,000,000.

Just prior to that war, i. e., in 1866, came a bloody and costly struggle with the Sioux, produced by the location of forts in the Powder River region, claimed by the Indians. It is said that this war cost the Government \$10,000,000; it certainly cost hundreds of lives. At the close, peace was made by a mixed military and civil commission, on which four Generals of distinction served, who reported that "the treaty was broken, but not by the savage." They added that "the war was something more than useless and expensive—it was dishonorable to the nation."

In 1868, Gen. HARNET, then in charge of the Sioux, reported that he could "unhesitatingly declare that, to secure perpetual peace with the Sioux Indians it is only necessary to fulfill the terms of the treaty made by the Peace Commission." In 1874, however, occurred Gen. CUSTER's expedition to the Black Hills, which discovered gold. A rush of miners broke down the Government guarantee under the treaty. While negotiations for buying the Black Hills were pending, some of the dissatisfied Sioux wandered off to visit SITTING BULL, a non-treaty and marauding Sioux. With the reinforcements thus acquired, he annihilated CUSTER's command in the Battle of Little Big Horn. The war was short, but cost the lives of 283 brave soldiers, besides the wounding of 125 men, and \$2,312,530 cash.

We might also speak of the Modoc War, which had its origin in forcing the Modocs on the reservation of the Klamaths. It began with the treacherous murder of Gen. CANBY and his associates, while under a flag of truce, and it cost 160 lives of white men and some millions of dollars to hunt down a few scores of Modoc warriors. The Nez Percé War of last year was produced by a like attempt to force Indians on a reservation where they did not want to go, in order to give their homes to white men who coveted them. Chief JOSEPH, with law on his side and Government promises, was driven to war costing \$981,329 and many gallant officers and men.

If to such an array of Indian wars, we add the present season's, it must be admitted, we think, that the most expensive use the Government can put an Indian to is to fight him. Even as a question of economy, it is high time to change an Indian system so fruitful in fraud, mismanagement, broken faith, and violence, and leading to such costly wars.

IN DEFENSE OF THE NEGRO. Some years ago an article on the negro appeared in *Fraser's Magazine*, written by E. W. BLYDEN

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RESOLUTIONS REQUESTING THE CONTROLLER NOT TO PAY ANY MORE MONEY UNTIL THE QUESTION IS DECIDED BY THE COURTS.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen held yesterday afternoon at the City Hall, the following resolutions were adopted: That the Board of Aldermen do hereby request the Controller not to pay any more money until the question is decided by the courts. That the Board of Aldermen do hereby request the Controller not to pay any more money until the question is decided by the courts. That the Board of Aldermen do hereby request the Controller not to pay any more money until the question is decided by the courts.

## OTHER MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

An order was received from the Corporation Counsel stating that the Board of Aldermen had passed an ordinance authorizing the Corporation Counsel to take any action in the matter. The Board then, for the first time since they were organized, passed an ordinance. The Board then, for the first time since they were organized, passed an ordinance.

## THE WIDENING OF BROADWAY.

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## COURT NOTES.

On the application of the Society for the Relief of the Poor, Judge Van Brunt, in the Supreme Court, yesterday granted a temporary injunction restraining the Board of Aldermen from giving the Controller any more money until the question is decided by the courts.

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if you had been kind. You might have been 3300 on the corner of his business; he would come tonight. He said that a woman who goes to bed late is much to be envied in his business. She said she did not go to bed until 12 o'clock. He said she was sweeping the floor at that time. He said she had a clock. He said that and ended the conversation. He also corroborated McGreager's testimony, seeing a man looking over the fence at 2 o'clock. He said the Sunday night before was not as good as 2 o'clock today.

**MEETING OF DRAMATIC AUTHORS.**  
A meeting on the question of dramatic authors' association was held last night at the Union-Place Hotel. There were Harry Brown, Stephen Phipps, Frederick Clarke, Julian, and A. C. Genter, and Mrs. Maxine of Philadelphia. Mr. Stephen Clarke was the chairman of the meeting, and nearly two hours ensued, but very little was done. The subject seemed to be the question of Mr. Grover. It was definitely determined that the association would be under the title of the "American Dramatic Association," but for what purpose it is to be different opinions. The first purpose was to protect the works of the authors and a great deal was said upon the subject. It was said that the association was not as good as 2 o'clock today, some, inasmuch as it would interfere with the business of the authors.

**EAT "CORNER" SUIT.**—The case against Wm. A. Wis., Aug. 21.—The Board of Chamber of Commerce, which has been engaged in hearing evidence in its case against J. B. Oliver & Co., announced by the latter failing to sell seller July, rendered judgment this morning in damages to the amount of \$8,250, or as much per barrel, thus sustaining the suit. The last day in default of answer for all and the defendants were ordered on a basis fixed by the arbitrators on merit with the plaintiff members of the board. It is understood that the case before the court will take the case before the

Max Gordon Bennett, Cephalia; W.  
 man, Oelrichs, and August Belmont,  
 the best players in the world. Bob & I  
 played the scratch team. The Scotch  
 players were the best. The Scotch  
 was not finished. The game was  
 no record. There was a large and  
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**ADVENTUROUS ROSE**  
 Mass., Aug. 21.—Three ladies  
 and old the sons of Charles Lanes,  
 and W. S. Page, left Lawrence in  
 a motor car. Twenty-five boats were  
 being for them. They were finally  
 killed by a schooner and taken to  
 reached home in the afternoon.

**ROGS IN NOVA SCOTIA**  
 Nova Scotia, Aug. 21.—Gov. A.  
 nster, and Hon. S. J. Cassin, A.  
 nster, have been holding political  
 in Nova Scotia. They were widely  
 in Nova Scotia to-morrow night.

**LYD LARK DUFFEIN**  
 Aug. 21.—Lord and Lady Duffe-  
 to-night. Yesterday they visited  
 Abraham, Sweetest, St. John and  
 their reception was enthusiastic.

**DEATH OF A NUMBERER**  
 21.—A woman, who, on Mon-  
 day, died, of Westport, was



## NOTES OF FOREIGN NEWS.

## THE ENGLISH AND CONTINENTAL JOURNALS.

Rev. W. B. Clarke, an eminent geologist of Sydney, Australia, died on the 16th of June at the age of 80 years.

The sale of the diamonds of ex-Queen Isabella of Spain, which, completed several days ago, has realized \$4,877,000 francs.

Dr. Brown-Sequard has received the appointment of Titular Professor of Medicine in the College of France, in succession to the famous Claude Bernard.

The Marquis Giorgio Pallavicini, an Italian nobleman, died at Rome on the 16th inst. at the age of 80 years.

There was a follow-up report of Silvio Pellico in the American fortress of Spielberg.

An old lady named Seymour, her daughter, 19 years of age, and an infant child of the latter, 2 years of age, were recently found dead in bed near the house of Fraser, in England, with a scolding that they had been doing the whole while.

The annual United Kingdom exhibition of oils and ladies' pet dogs opened at the Crystal Palace, London, on the 24th inst. There were over 300 exhibitors, including every known variety of cat.

The price for wool, which has been brought to the market by the late Mr. Lewis, is a pet.

Murder is sometimes very late in coming out. An inmate of an English work-house, an old man of 60, and completely blind, recently underwent his trial for the murder of his wife, who was found dead in her bed, and was charged with the crime.

Rev. Frank Bennet, husband of the somewhat notorious Anne Bennet, obtained an order from the Master of the Rolls restraining that lady from annoying him by letters or otherwise, or by publishing any account of her private life.

This order is temporary, and the question of a permanent one will come before the court.

M. Blonville, the Parisian, who was the author of the "L'Esprit des Lois," was elected a member of the Académie Française on account of "exceptional services."

He attended the Berlin Congress for the Peace, and the International Congress of the Peace, and was elected in sending his extraordinary dispatches descriptive of scenes which no one was admitted to see.

Strange to say, a suit for breach of promise of marriage in Liverpool has resulted in a verdict for the defendant. There had been an engagement between the parties, but it seems to have been dissolved, but when the lady learned that her lover had married another woman, she brought suit in the hope of sharing in the gains of that venture.

International Bagnets of Paris, which have been suspended since 1870, is to be revived on Sunday, the 19th inst. Committees from the National Guard of France, the Boying Club of Paris, and the French Society of the Marne have united to organize the Bagnets, and the French Society of the Marne have already been provided, and numerous names have entered their names as competitors.

It is announced that M. Henri de Rochefort, member of the Radical National Committee of Lyons, is a candidate in the place of M. D. Duport. This step is the reply of that party to the measure which has just been taken in that city to prevent petitioning in favor of the amnesty, and to the proposition to elect a committee to investigate the charges against Rochefort as a contributor.

The ex-Empress Eugénie has been receiving marked attention in Vienna. The day after her arrival she received a visit from the Emperor and the Empress, and the chief State dignitaries.

Prince Louis Napoleon, who has been in the city since his arrival in the city, has been in the city since his arrival in the city, and has been in the city since his arrival in the city.

Some one writes to the San Francisco Bulletin to say that the report of the death of the Duke of Orleans is a hoax, and that the Duke is still alive.

M. Albert Joly, the eloquent young French advocate, now a Deputy, was pleading at Fontenay-lez-Compeigne, in the case of a woman, who was charged with the murder of her husband.

They are continually having great breach of promise suits in the North of England. One of the latest, tried at Liverpool, was that of Mrs. Swift, a widow, with six children, against a farmer over 50 years of age.

She charged him with being the father of her child, and he charged her with being the mother of his child. The case was tried at Liverpool, and the jury found in favor of the plaintiff.

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James H. Fraser, representing a number of creditors of George S. Griffin, plumber, has filed a petition to have him adjudged bankrupt. His liabilities amount to \$32,000, and he has no assets.

Register Fick has received a voluntary petition in bankruptcy by Michael G. Fagan, stableman, who has liabilities amounting to \$14,300, and cash assets of \$1,000. His creditors are: J. H. Fagan, \$3,300; Robert T. Kelly, \$2,100; Leabon County Bank, \$1,900.

The following assignments for the benefit of creditors were filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday:

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Garrett L. Schuyler, dealer in lumber at the foot of East Thirty-fifth street, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy before Register Dayton. His liabilities are \$12,000, and he has no assets.

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Agencies have to the provincial press, it gives all possible currency to the report that the Ministers would rather see the Senatorial elections of next January favorable to the Conservatives than to the Republicans; but the very extent of his efforts shows that they have little to go upon. There are shades of opinion among the Republicans of France, no doubt, but there is complete and effective harmony in regard to the essential purposes of the party, and the evidences are abundant and satisfactory that the party is gaining, and deserving, every day more and more the confidence of the country. The reported disaffection of the Ministry has, so far, every sign of belonging to that species of journalistic invention to which the French press gave origin, and which will always bear the significant French name of *canard*.

The desperate defense of Sarajevo, and the "not inconsiderable losses" occasioned by it, have aroused Austria to a determined effort to stamp out the Bosnian insurrection before the formidable November frosts can come to its aid. Hitherto the contest has been for the possession of the great southern high road and its two or three branches, and the general aspect of the campaign is best realized by supposing the advance of a hostile force from Albany upon Jersey City, carrying successively the fortified positions of Kingston, Newburg, and West Point. But the narrower portion of the Bosnian triangle, into which the insurgents are being gradually driven, is so completely flanked by Serbia on one side and Montenegro on the other that the latter States virtually hold the decision of the game in their own hands. Hence Austria's jealous watchfulness of both; and hence, also, it may be, Russia's muster of 75,000 native troops in Bulgaria, and Serbia's concentration of 24,000 more along the Drin. What effect Prince Bismarck's significant hint, that any attempt to shirk the obligations of the Berlin treaty "will be instantly followed by such measures as circumstances may require," will have upon the obstinacy of the Porte remains to be seen; but it at least proves that Europe has recognized the folly of allowing a beaten and dismembered State to assume the tone of a conqueror and to obstruct the reforms demanded by the whole civilized world.

**THE ALLEGED BARGAIN.**  
 A strict construction of the authority under which the Potter committee conducts its investigation would have excluded the greater part of Major BURKE's testimony. He is a competent and, so far as we can judge, a credible witness, and his statements furnish a coherent exposition of matters relating to the Louisiana arrangement and its connection with Mr. HAYES's admission to the Presidency. From the first, certain gentlemen on both sides have been suspected of a want of candor upon these aspects of a wide subject. Enough had been made known to render plausible the belief that an understanding of some sort had been entered into by personal friends of Mr. HAYES, on one hand, and certain Southern Senators and Representatives on the other. Corrupt bargaining was not imputed; but there was a vague idea that an interchange of views and purposes had resulted in a mutually satisfactory plan of action as regards both the Electoral count and the solution of the Louisiana problem. Major BURKE's explanation shows that the Southern Democrats and the Ohio Republicans who undertook to dissipate the mystery and to allay the distrust of which it was the cause, were not quite so candid as they might have been. They did not tell the entire truth. What they did say may have been literally correct, but the story was disingenuous nevertheless. There was no specific and written bargain, setting forth reciprocal covenants and obligations, and to this extent, probably, the protestations uttered months ago by members of both parties were truthful. But the evidence of Major BURKE leaves no room for doubt as to certain essential facts. Assurances were tendered, primarily, in behalf of the Louisiana Democrats, and contingencies involving the consummation of the Electoral count were distinctly indicated. Responsive assurances proceeded from influential Republicans, intimate friends of Mr. HAYES. And, as a consequence of the latter, Southern Democrats frustrated the filibustering project and secured the peaceful inauguration of the President. This is the Burke revelation in a nutshell.

The state of things thus recalled does not admit of exaltation, and it affords slight ground for partisan recrimination. It partakes more of intrigue than of bargaining, and though the distinction is not one that improves the morality of the transaction, it materially affects the position of the President and the uses to which the Potter inquiry might possibly be put. Whether or not the steps successively taken amounted to a bargain or only to an intrigue of the nature in which zealous partisans indulge when substantial interests are at stake, the responsibility for the original overture is beyond dispute. The Louisiana Democrats sent Major BURKE to Washington in the capacity of negotiator. They desired above all things to get the Government of the State into their hands, and the general tenor of their agent's evidence indicates a readiness to come to terms with Mr. HAYES if this object could be thereby secured. In spite of the belief that their State had given a majority for TILDEN as well as NICHOLS, they were prepared to concede the State to HAYES if NICHOLS could be assured of the Governorship. The pledges volunteered in the name of the Nicholls Government are in themselves unobjectionable. The debatable question is, whether they were admissible at all in the connection in which they were intended to be used. So far as the settlement of the State difficulty depended upon the recognition of NICHOLS or PACKARD by the President, it is obvious that the only proper consideration turned upon the ascertained vote of the people. The partisan affinities of PACKARD or NICHOLS had nothing to do, properly, with the point to be decided by the President. For the same reason the Louisiana Democrats discarded sound political ethics when they came to the occasion which their ambassadors and their friends in Congress carried out. The willingness to trade off TILDEN to make sure of NICHOLS is indefensible except on ground that would justify any bargain, however corrupt.

From this responsibility the Southern

leaders whom Major BURKE represented cannot escape. And it is shared by the Democratic Senators of other States who asked the Major in the performance of his task, and by the Southern Representatives whose active co-operation in the House was essential to its success. Senator HILL, not long ago, attempted to invest with a more patriotic character the action of Southern members in that emergency. Major BURKE's contribution to history places it on a lower level. He tells us that Southern resistance to the filibustering which would have defeated the count was a product of the understanding whereby, in his judgment and that of his associates, the removal of the troops and the consequent success of the Nicholls Government had been assured. Had the declarations of Messrs. SHERMAN, MATTHEWS, FOSTER, GARFIELD, and other of Mr. HAYES's friends not been satisfactory upon these points, the South would have joined the filibusters and their purpose would have been effected. TILDEN was not thought of. The surrender of Louisiana to the Democracy was the consideration which determined the Southern course in Congress. So much, at least, Major BURKE makes clear.

The statement respecting the Ohio Republican leaders with whom he conferred is equally emphatic though not quite so clear. He received from them oral guarantees and assurances that they were not reduced to writing, and his version of them varies slightly at different stages of his examination. As we understand them, they were largely composed of declarations as to Mr. HAYES's kind purposes toward the South, coupled with an explicit announcement that NICHOLS would be recognized. Opinions will differ as to the interpretation to be put upon language like this. Those who seek the worst construction will insist that the declarations really were promises, made in pursuance of negotiations and as part of a bargain or agreement. A more charitable view assumes that Mr. HAYES had already decided upon the withdrawal of the troops, and that the assurances given by his friends were called out naturally and honorably in the freedom of confidential intercourse. An acceptance even of the latter construction will leave the general question clouded with misgivings that cannot add to the glory of the President or his Administration. Mr. HAYES, however, has the consolation of knowing that the Potter committee has succeeded in proving that the Southern Democrats cannot become his accusers.

**THE THURMAN BUREAU.**  
 Mr. THURMAN has taken a leaf out of Mr. BURKE's book. He proposes to have his prospects for the Democratic Presidential nomination in 1880 "worked up" by a select body of agents. A Washington dispatch says that letters are to be sent to leading Democrats in every Southern State requesting them to "work up" the Thurman fever in their respective neighborhoods. This will involve the erection of a bureau, the construction of machinery, and the dissemination of a peculiar sort of anti-campaign literature. When candidates have been nominated and set in the field, the political parties usually begin to work the party machinery and spread abroad the reading-matter which is supposed to be necessary. Mr. TILDEN's plan is to "work up" his own party before the nominations are made. He begins before the conventions, before the primary meetings. He makes a campaign for the nomination, just as other men make one for an election. Mr. THURMAN has looked and has admired. His friends have asked, "Why should not you do so? TILDEN has no patent on this!" And so THURMAN has agreed to do it, and his agents have instructions to "work up" the Thurman fever in the South.

The Thurman bureau has a hard task before it. Mr. THURMAN has all along adhered sturdily to hard-money doctrines. He stood where TILDEN does on general financial questions. We would not importunately inquire why he recanted, and why he gave in his adhesion to the soft-money faction of the Democratic Party. We do not like to think that he was moved to this course by the consideration that the Democracy was a soft-money party. This would necessarily lead to the conclusion that the Democratic Party was in a bad way, and that Mr. THURMAN had no moral convictions to speak of. But it is significant that his managers are jubilant over this sudden perversion. They say that THURMAN's surrender to the soft-money influence insures him Ohio and enormously increases his strength in the South. The object of the Thurman bureau, then, is to advertise as widely as possible the fact that the distinguished candidate is no longer for hard money, but is an infatuated, having forsaken the mammoth of specie payments and all its works. Is it any wonder that this judicious turn-out is anxious to send out its agents for the advertisement of his mischievous change of heart? What is to be done must be done quickly; TILDEN will, we are told, shortly have his agents in the field. It is the early bird, &c.

This is a peculiar sort of campaigning, and has its difficulties, under the best of circumstances. In Mr. THURMAN's case, the work of a bureau will be very complex. Mr. THURMAN was a hard-money man; he must convince the South that his conversion is genuine and final. He is a soft-money man; he must convince New-England and New-York that infidelity is better than contraction, and that fictitious money is to be preferred to the real thing. Of course, to a trimming politician, like SAMUEL J. RANDALL, let us say, this line of conduct is easy. A man can profess protection in Philadelphia and free trade in New-York, and yet be considered a gentleman of fixed convictions. But to convince his old allies that he has gone over to the enemy under compulsion, and that they ought to go with him, may bother a politician of even Mr. THURMAN's elasticity and snivility. Then, too, it must be borne in mind that there are other Democratic candidates who cannot remain passive while Mr. THURMAN changes his coat, preparatory to "working up" the South and West. We should be glad to know what Mr. HENDRICKS, who has a prior claim on the Southern and Western infatuation, will have to say when he sees a new convert coming into the field which he had imagined to be his own.

Mr. TILDEN's plan of "working up" a section of country was very elaborate and

comprehensive. It included the minutest particulars; it covered the whole Republic. He began to work for the nomination in 1878 so early that he had manufactured public opinion before people knew whether he would be a candidate or not. His emissaries were sent into every State in the Union. From central headquarters in Washington he disseminated an influence which penetrated nearly every Democratic and "Independent" newspaper office in the country. Without knowing why, the Democratic newspapers found themselves mentioning TILDEN's name on every other day. Quack doctors, before now, have advertised their nostrums in precisely this manner. And a certain tobacco manufacturer laid the foundation of a great fortune by hiring men to go around among the shops and ask for his then unknown snuff. Mr. THURMAN is not unknown; neither was Mr. TILDEN unknown when he was "working up" the nomination in 1876. But, if the Ohio statesman, who faces both ways, has studied TILDEN's methods as he should, he has learned the value of persistent advertising. This is not according to the old-fashioned Democratic way of doing things. It was once a boast of Mr. TILDEN's party that the people led. Now, under the bureau system, the people are led. Nobody but for a moment pretend that the Democratic Party really wanted TILDEN in 1876. But he persuaded the party that they did want him, and that was almost as good as it were true that he was wanted. The Tilden idea







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## THE CONTEST OF PARTIES.

THE TENNESSEE REPUBLICANS.  
SEN. EMERSON EBERIDGE NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR—A SEVERE ANTI-REPUBLICAN PLATFORM ADOPTED—A BARRAGE OF CONVENTIONS.

**Nashville, Aug. 22.**—The session of the Tennessee Republican Convention to-day was marked by a degree of harmony that was in decided contrast with the stormy closing of the State Democratic Convention last week. In one-third of the time required by the Democrats the work was done. The unanimity of opinion regarding the State central plank of the platform was in strong contrast with the differences of opinion manifested by the Democrats. It is so entirely different from the remarkable Democratic platform that there is no doubt it will meet with the unequalled approval of the Republicans in the three grand divisions of the State. The nomination of Hon. Emerson Eberidge, of Memphis, for Governor, was a complete surprise even to the delegates who placed his name in nomination, as he was not regarded as an aspirant for the position. The friends of Henry G. Smith were confident that he would be the nominee, but the result showed that they were also surprised. The nomination by acclamation of Eberidge, after two ballots had been taken, proved that he was most acceptable to the Republican body. He will make a strong effort to lead to victory next November. It was predicted to-night in congratulatory speeches, that 5,000 more votes will be polled in East Tennessee at the next gubernatorial election than were cast before. The middle and western portions of the State will also poll a large vote for Eberidge.

The following platform was adopted: The Republican Party of Tennessee, while affirming its devotion to the great principles of the Republican Party, and its adherence to the present position at issue in our State affairs, do further declare that we are opposed to repudiation of any kind, or by any means; that we favor the payment of the public liabilities of the State according to the terms of its obligations, except so far as the creditors may voluntarily concede more favorable terms; and that the last Democratic Legislature, in failing to accept the proposition of compromise offered by the creditors, showed themselves unworthy the confidence of the people, and unfit representatives of an honest people willing to do right, and anxious to avoid the odium of repudiation.

We arrange the Democratic Party of Tennessee for its inconsistency and recalcitancy to the public trust in failing to meet the question of State liabilities with frankness and honesty in its recent declaration of principles, so called, as set forth in its late convention.

Resolved, That we favor the strictest economy in the most scrupulous care in the conduct of the State affairs, and that we are opposed to allowing public officers to retain fees above and over a reasonable compensation for services in the discharge of their duties, and to the enactment of a law requiring the payment of such excess of fees into the public Treasury.

Resolved, That we favor a liberal system of public schools, to be supported by general State taxation, equal to the education of all children of the State, believing it an absolute necessity to the perpetuity of republican institutions. Intelligence and good government under a truly democratic form of government must be based on a system of universal education.

Resolved, That we are opposed to the system of leasing convict labor to be brought into competition with the free labor of the State, and to the maintenance of a system, inaugurated by the late Democratic administration, of leasing public lands and perpetuating the common school system on a broad and liberal basis, that a government of the people by the people and for the people shall not be perverted.

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Resolved, That we favor encouraging emigration to our State and helping the incoming population to a knowledge of the resources, manifold resources, and abundant harvests.

Resolved, That we demand such legislation as is necessary to insure free and fair elections and a fair return of the votes cast.

Resolved, That we favor the enactment of such a Mechanics' Lien law as will protect mechanic liens, and to the enactment of legislation for materials furnished and labor performed.

The following resolution was offered by Zeno Wheeler, of Chattanooga:

Resolved, That we cordially endorse the Administration of President Hayes as both able and patriotic, and one which commends itself to all fair-minded and patriotic citizens.

A motion was made to table it. The chair announced an animated discussion, in the midst of which the Chairman called for the resolution, which was rejected by a vote of 10 to 9.

The resolution was finally referred to the Committee on Resolutions, from which it was finally withdrawn by its author.

**THE NORTH CAROLINA DEMOCRACY.**  
REMOVAL OF DAVIS IN THE FOURTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT—A FLATBOMB DEMOCRATIC RETURNING BOARD.

**Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 22.**—The Democratic Convention of this (the Fourth) district was held in this city to-day, and on the tenth ballot renominated Joseph J. Davis for a third term in Congress. In advocating the claims of Julian S. Carr, of Orange, who is a member of the firm of Blackwell & Co., the late Governor of the Durham smoking pipe, it was urged in his behalf that he was the man to crush out the Lordlards of New-York, who were dictating what the tax on tobacco should be in their own interest and that of the large Northern manufacturers. This sentiment was cheered and received with unmistakable favor.

The platform would do honor to a Butler or a Kearney. It was framed with the sole view of securing the vote of the Nationals. The contraction of the currency is denounced as the heartless and unpatriotic policy of the Republican Administration, making the "rich richer and the poor poorer," and has caused a stagnation of business, destroyed the prosperity of the country, thrown thousands out of employment, and reduced millions to poverty and want.

The retirement of the notes of the national banks is demanded, and the substitution thereof of greenbacks, whose volume shall be regulated by the requirements of trade and business. The demand for the 10 per cent tax on the issues of State banks is also demanded. The modification or repeal of the Internal Revenue system is demanded so that it shall not discriminate against Southern industries. A tariff for revenue only, and not for the purpose of building up Northern manufactures at the expense of the South is demanded. The tariff on imports of \$2,000 and upward, for the purpose of lightening the burdens of labor, and to force capital to pay its just proportion of the public dues.

Joseph Turner, of Orange, who is an independent candidate for Congress in this district. The Republicans will not make a nomination. If the full Democratic ticket is not put forward, the Democrats will be able to overtake the 1,600 Democratic majority which Davis received in 1876. That the Democrats are greatly alarmed at the prospect of the election of Turner was plainly to be seen throughout the convention.

It was asserted that the Nationals would make large inroads into the Democratic vote. There were a number of leading Democrats who refused to attend the convention as delegates, because they are Turner men. The Democratic Returning Board of the Second Congressional District threw out the vote of Bedford and Fannin Counties because the returns from those counties were not properly signed. There was no allegation of fraud.

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party, but after throwing out the two counties the other Democratic candidate was declared elected. In Davidson County the Republican candidate for the Senate had a majority of six by the returns as they were sent in by the township inspectors. But J. M. Leach, the Democratic candidate, induced the Returning Board to add 10 votes to the vote of Leach at one precinct. This addition was made upon the representations of a Democratic politician, and the Returning Board that there was a mistake of 10 votes which should have been counted for Leach. The other four poll-books were not sent for that their testimony might be taken also, so as to ascertain the truth beyond question.

**THE NEW-YORK DEMOCRATS.**  
STRAUCH, SEPT. 25, FIXED UPON BY THE STATE COMMITTEE—IMPORTANCE OF GAINING CONGRESS AND THE LEGISLATURE URGED—A SWARM OF POLITICIANS AT SARATOGA—RESURRECTION OF TILDEN—TAMMANY'S RULE SUPREME.

**Saratoga, Aug. 22.**—The Democratic State Committee met in the ball-room of the United States Hotel at noon to-day to decide upon the time and place for holding the State Convention of the party. All the members of the committee were present except Messrs. Gumbleton and Donnelly, who are in Europe, and Messrs. Evans, Foucher, Foreman, and Magone, who were represented by Messrs. N. P. Williams, Barry, Emerson, and Manning as substitutes. William Purcell occupied the chair, and on motion, the roll of members was taken. The committee then proceeded to place for holding the convention. The result showed 16 votes for Syracuse, 5 for Rochester, 3 for Albany, 1 for Saratoga, and 1 for Brooklyn. On motion the vote was unanimous in favor of Syracuse. The committee then decided by a viva voce vote to hold the convention on the 25th of September next at 12 M. Lewis Beach, E. S. Jenny, and H. Stowell were appointed by the chair a committee to issue the call for the convention and advertise the same.

Augustus Schell then made a long speech urging the importance of having a majority of Democratic Congressmen from this State in the next Congress, and also a majority of Democrats in the next Assembly, in view of the fact that the election of the next President might possibly devolve on the House of Representatives, and the additional fact that a United States Senator for six years is to be elected by the next Legislature. He hoped every member of the committee would go home with a resolution to vote vigorously for the success of the Democracy at the next election in this State. He closed by offering the following resolutions, which were adopted *unanimously*:

Whereas, The condition of the country demands the control of the Democratic Party in both branches of the Federal Legislature; and, Whereas, It is the imperative duty of the Democracy of this State, to secure the election of a Democratic United States Senator in the ensuing session of the Legislature; therefore,

Resolved, That it be the express duty of the members of this committee to see that the Democratic Party in this State are thoroughly organized, with a view to the nomination and election of a Democratic member of the Assembly, to the end that a Democratic United States Senator be elected in the ensuing session of the Legislature; and also that a just apportionment as required by the Constitution of the State may be made.

Resolved, As a means of securing these results, that the Democratic Party in this State set in a spirit of union and harmony, confident that united and vigorous efforts will insure the success of the Democracy.

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was an excellent feeling in the committee as to the prospects in the State, and perfect harmony prevailed, the determination being to avoid all issues of a personal character, and to legislate candidly till the Legislature is secured.

**THE CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN.**  
EX-GOV. YOUNG, OF OHIO, NOMINATED—THE OHIO LIST OF CANDIDATES NEARLY COMPLETED—NOMINATIONS IN OTHER STATES.

**Cincinnati, Aug. 22.**—Ex-Gov. Thomas L. Young was to-day nominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Second Ohio District. He is a man of great personal popularity, and has never yet been defeated for public office. He was Lieutenant-Governor of Ohio at the time of Hayes' election to the Presidency, and succeeded to the gubernatorial chair, which he filled with great credit. The Republicans are confident of their ability to elect him against the Democratic nominee, L. W. Goss, who defeated the "Bounding Banning" two weeks ago.

In the First District the Republicans nominated Major Benjamin Butterworth, a successful lawyer and a gentleman of high character. He is a better speaker than his opponent, Milton Sawyer, and will give the other a close race. It was in reference to the acceptance of the Republican nomination in this district that President Hayes recently wrote Judge Longworth, of the Common Pleas Bench.

The list of Ohio Republican nominations for Congress is now complete, except in the Eighteenth and Twentieth Districts. The northeast corner of the State. Seven of the present delegation have been renominated. The new members are generally men of high character. The Democrats have nominated five of the present delegation. They have four nominations yet to make. Among their 16 candidates there is only one having a high record. It is not believed that he will hold out long. There is scarcely a remnant of the sound money doctrine left in the Democracy of Ohio. The Republican county ticket, placed in nomination to-day, is a strong one. George Weber, a prominent German, was chosen for Sheriff of Col. Weitzel, late United States Revenue Collector. The contest in the county is expected to be very close.

**Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.**  
**DETROIT, Aug. 22.**—Representative John W. Stone was to-day renominated unanimously at Grand Rapids, by the Fifth District Republican Convention. The Democratic Convention of the Seventh District nominated T. M. Crocker, of Macomb County, a lawyer of some local prominence, against Mr. Conger. His acceptance is understood to be doubtful.

**Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.**  
**WRENSHIRE, W. V., Aug. 22.**—The Republicans of the First Congressional District of this State met in convention at Moundsville to-day, and had before them six candidates, among whom was Col. John R. Hubbard, who was nominated by acclamation. The Republicans felt that they have chosen a man who will defeat the Democratic nominee, Col. Wilson.

**Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.**  
**FLORENCE, S. C., Aug. 22.**—Hon. J. H. Rainey was unanimously nominated for the Forty-sixth Congress to-day.

**Cincinnati, Aug. 22.**—The following Congressional nominations were made yesterday: N. H. Van Voorhees, by the Republicans of the Thirtieth Ohio District; James Emment, by the Democrats of the Twelfth Ohio District; J. C. Blackburn, by the Democrats of the Seventh Kentucky District; and H. S. Walker, by the United States Republicans at Charleston, West Virginia.

**ELKHORN, WIS., Aug. 22.**—The Democrats of the First District have nominated the Greenback candidate, C. H. Parker, for Congress to-day.

**MONTGOMERY, ALA., Aug. 22.**—The Congressional Convention for the Fifth District met yesterday, August 24, and elected the following members: C. H. Parker, 604; Underhill, 500; and the two-thirds rule, no nomination has yet been made. The convention is still in session.

**PHILADELPHIA, AUG. 22.**—The Greenbackers to-day made the following nominations for Congress: In the Eleventh District, E. E. O'Rourke; in the Twelfth, John E. Pike; in the Thirteenth, John E. Pike; in the Fourteenth, John E. Pike; in the Fifteenth, John E. Pike; in the Sixteenth, John E. Pike; in the Seventeenth, John E. Pike; in the Eighteenth, John E. Pike; in the Nineteenth, John E. Pike; in the Twentieth, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-first, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-second, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-third, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-fourth, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-fifth, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-sixth, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-seventh, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-eighth, John E. Pike; in the Twenty-ninth, John E. Pike; in the Thirtieth, John E. Pike; in the Thirty-first, John E. Pike; in the Thirty-second, John E. Pike; in the Thirty-third, John E. Pike; in the Thirty-fourth, John E. Pike; in the Thirty-fifth, John E. Pike; in the Thirty-sixth, John E. 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# THE MYERS-SEWARD CASE.

**GLIMPSES AT RECENT TESTIMONY.**  
FRAUDULENT OPERATIONS IN SELLING THE GOVERNMENT FURNITURE AND OTHER MODES ALLEGED AGAINST MINISTER SEWARD.

**Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.**  
READING, Penn., Aug. 23.—The following particulars in regard to the Myers-Seward imbroglio have been furnished by an inside correspondent from Reading, Pa., the evening Times, the sessions of the committee having been held with closed doors. When Mr. George F. Seward resigned the office of Consul-General at Shanghai to accept that of Minister at Peking, his "crooked" propensities had active play in the transfer. He had a lot of furniture in his old residence which he wished to take with him to his new post, and in such a way that he might clear up matters of his own private money. On the 29th of May, 1878, he made out and forwarded to Washington his account, as follows:

The United States Government to George F. Seward, Minister, &c., Dr.:

MAT. 29, 1878.  
For furniture provided for the Legation, as follows: Inventory as per voucher No. 1, \$2,369 15.

Nine other vouchers with the above, aggregated \$2,864 44, for which Mr. Seward, on the date given, drew his draft and was paid.

Richard Phoenix, the Marshal under examination by Mr. Springer, Chairman of the committee, testified as follows in reference to this bill of furniture:

Q.—Explain to the committee what furniture this was, where it had been used previous to this, how much it was worth, and what became of it?  
A.—The first article was a book-case, \$60; this was Mr. Seward's own property when it was first arrived in China, 1871; it was 17 mahogany, morocco-covered chairs, at \$13 75, \$233 75; 12 of these chairs I bought at auction of Capt. Barton, and I gave 2 each a piece, on Mr. Seward's account, for them; about \$2 60.

Q.—What did he sell them to the Government for?  
A.—Thirteen dollars and seventy-five cents apiece—a profit of over 500 per cent.

Q.—Mr. Seward knew what you paid for those chairs?  
A.—Certainly; he had to pay the bill.

Concerning these chairs, Capt. Thomas F. Barr testified:

Q.—What do you know about the chairs?  
A.—The chairs, I believe, in the first place, belonged to me; I bought them six or seven years ago.

Q.—Did you buy them new?  
A.—I did.

Q.—Where did you buy them?  
A.—At Shanghai.

Q.—What did you pay for them?  
A.—I paid 90 cents for 12 chairs, about \$11 a piece, and I sold them to Capt. Barton about a three and a half years afterward for 5 cents—\$6 00—each.

Phoenix further testified: "Here is an engraving of the 'Immaculate Conception' that I bought for Mr. Seward at auction for 3 cents—about \$4; it is put at \$18 00 here in one engraving, the 'Fighting the Standard'; I gave \$8 for it; it is charged at \$10 25; here, I see, it is a water-color. I have no use for it; it is a stone filter, and brought \$12 50."

Q.—How long after you purchased these articles was it when they were turned over to the Government?  
A.—They were turned over to the Government in May, 1875; they were bought just previous to that; after they were two months in the new house he was promoted.

Q.—He sold the articles to the Government after his promotion?  
A.—Yes, Sir.

Q.—What was the price he was paying for these articles?  
A.—I used my own money, and Mr. Seward repaid me.

Phoenix further stated that he was in Mr. Seward's house and helped to pack and ship this furniture to Peking. Three points are prominent in the testimony on the subject: First, that Mr. Seward was not charged with an excess of the value, and was made with knowledge on Mr. Seward's part, and other circumstances which mark the transaction as a fraud, and only seven items of this long list represent articles suitable for the legation, all the rest being for private use.

Second, that the committee, by the Department, recalled the voucher from the Treasury after these troubles commenced, and erased its indorsement of approval thereon, and held the voucher as evidence, only ordering thereby to hold it beyond the reach or knowledge of the committee. As to the excessive charges, a portion of Phoenix's testimony is in addition to that of Capt. Barr, given above. At the bidding of the committee, he prepared from his knowledge of the furniture, including a list, a statement of its value. The list of the furniture sold for him comprised all except 17 chairs, gas burner, 1 hearth-rug, 2 Canton cane chairs, 1 washstand, and 8 small rugs.

George Cowie, Chief Clerk of the Diplomatic and Consular Division of the Fifth Auditor's Office, testified:

Q.—I will ask you whether the Government has allowed for the furniture of legations elsewhere?  
A.—Yes, Sir. The Government has charged in this bill of articles that were sold by Mr. Seward to the Government; I see, for instance, cherry glasses, pot glasses, champagne glasses, and things of that kind. It is customary for the legation to be furnished with that kind of furniture. I am unable to say; I never saw one of that kind before.

Cowie further testified that this account was sent to his office approved by the State Department Aug. 10, 1877, "which was after the Myers-Seward difficulty began," showing the fact that Myers would discover the fraud and the committee would not for the account and it remained in the files of the Fifth Auditor's office until March 15 last, when the State Department ordered it to be destroyed.

A statement was also given by Mr. Seward, the present investigation having commenced, and the paper was again returned to the department. Agreeably to the request contained in a letter dated March 15, 1878, the Assistant, after withdrawal that approval was erased, and in its stead was written on the back of the document: "Charge to the appropriation for Buildings and Grounds for Legation of China, 1878." But there was no signature to the indorsement.

The testimony of Hon. G. W. Wile further substantiates every charge made by Myers that Mr. Seward was cognizant of the fact, and had guilty possession of letters addressed to Myers, furnished from the committee, and of letters belonging to Myers taken from his private desk, changed in language and statement, and afterward returned to him by the committee.

Myers has 34 articles of impeachment prepared by able counsel, and about 40 specifications not published.

**AN EMBELLERER ARRESTED.**  
Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

OMAHA, Aug. 23.—Deputy Marshal Lovell last night arrested in Lincoln, this State, F. C. Fadner on a charge of embellishing \$3,500 from Hubbell, Brown & Co., lumber dealers, of Cincinnati, a year ago. Fadner came to Nebraska about that time, and has since been connected with various newspapers. He recently took to the road, and was caught by a magazine here. A few months ago, while visiting in Lincoln, he was shot by a thief whom he caught trying to steal a horse from the people with whom he was stopping, and he was laid up ever since. He deserted his wife and three children in Cincinnati, but that did not prevent him from becoming engaged to an estimable lady in Lincoln. He was brought here this afternoon to await the arrival of an officer from Cincinnati.

**SUING FEDERAL OFFICERS.**  
Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 23.—The war between the cigar-makers and the Internal Revenue Department has assumed a new phase here. J. V. L. Findlay, counsel for the plaintiffs, instituted to-day in suits for damages for injuries against Robert M. Proulx, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Third Maryland District, on behalf of Adolph J. Oppelt and others, for

# THE RAILROAD CONFERENCE.

**THE PRINCIPLES OF POOLING EAST-BOUND FREIGHT ALL-RAIL AND LAKE AND RAIL FREIGHTS—LIVE STOCK RATES.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 23.—A general meeting of the railroad managers was held here to-day, but the committee was not ready to report, the meeting was adjourned until 4 P. M., when the following resolutions were reported by the committee to which had been referred the matter of east-bound freight and pooling arrangements. They were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this committee is in favor of, and the committee are ready to report, the pooling arrangements as may be hereafter devised. Resolved, That during the pendency of the preparation of the pooling arrangement, the committee shall maintain the companies here represented will maintain and enforce such rates as may from time to time be established.

Resolved, That the Executive Committee of trunk lines together with the representatives of the Vermont Central, prepare an agreement for the pooling of such traffic to the several east-bound cities, and a similar agreement for the pooling of such traffic for the government of the same.

Resolved, That at the same time the Western Executive Committee prepare an agreement for the pooling of traffic for the several Western companies essential to the maintenance of rates up to the level of the lower rates.

Resolved, That when the said committee have prepared the details of the said pool they meet together and the representatives of the Vermont Central, and the Western Executive Committee, be appointed as such in the said pool.

The committee appointed to confer with representatives of the propeller lines agreed that the difference between all-rail and lake and rail east-bound rates from Chicago shall be 10 cents per barrel on flour, and 10 cents per bushel on wheat, and 10 cents per bushel on corn, and 10 cents per bushel on oats, and 10 cents per bushel on barley, and 10 cents per bushel on rye, and 10 cents per bushel on clover, and 10 cents per bushel on alfalfa, and 10 cents per bushel on timothy, and 10 cents per bushel on hay, and 10 cents per bushel on straw, and 10 cents per bushel on chaff, and 10 cents per bushel on bran, and 10 cents per bushel on meal, and 10 cents per bushel on flour, and 10 cents per bushel on wheat, and 10 cents per bushel on corn, and 10 cents per bushel on oats, and 10 cents per bushel on barley, and 10 cents per bushel on rye, and 10 cents per bushel on clover, and 10 cents per bushel on alfalfa, and 10 cents per bushel on timothy, and 10 cents per bushel on hay, and 10 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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates for the Middle Atlantic States, Tennessee, and the Ohio Valley, increasing cloudiness and rain, warm south-west, veering to colder north-west, winds, falling, followed by rising, barometer.

## THE PACIFIC RAILROADS AND THE GOVERNMENT.

The announcement that the Union and Central Pacific Railroad Companies are undecided as to their course in regard to the Sinking Fund law will excite no surprise. No feature of their policy is more clearly defined than their disregard of all obligations to the Government and their insolent defiance of whatever authority confronts with the selfish purposes of their managers. Equity is a thing unknown to them. A proper sense of the favors extended to them, and of the forbearance shown toward them as long as their condition seemed to be experimental, has never been shown by either. They took all they could get, and have persistently refused to recognize the conditions upon which it was obtained. They have prospered beyond the most sanguine expectations, and every enlargement of their gains has only served to render their more arrogant and more indifferent to their indebtedness to the country. The Treasury has been denied its percentage of the net earnings, and the shareholders have pocketed in the shape of dividends money which rightfully belonged to the people. Chartered stipulations intended to secure fair play to other roads have been systematically broken. And when attempts have been made to bring them to reason, and to exact a fulfillment of conditions which govern their corporate existence, they have invariably resorted to litigation, not so much for the settlement of controverted questions of law as to interpose delays and take the chance of profit arising out of them. These tactics have certainly not changed since Mr. JAY GOULD became the master-spirit of the monopoly. No man knows better how to use the machinery of courts to frustrate the ends of justice, and none can be more unscrupulous when the object is to avert the failure of a great wrong. Therefore we receive as a matter of course the statement that the twin companies are trying to find pretexts for the non-payment of the Sinking Fund contributions provided for by the enactment of last session. We should wonder if the case were otherwise. The Ethiopian is quite as likely to change his skin as Mr. JAY GOULD is to respect the law save under compulsion.

It might have been thought that considerations of expediency would alone suffice to induce compliance with the requirements of the Sinking Fund statute. The companies had done their utmost to prevent its passage. Session after session they lobbied, intrigued, spent money lavishly to influence the action of Congress. The propositions they submitted were irreconcilable with any honest desire to protect the Treasury from loss; and their game in the Senate was in keeping with the same dishonest purpose. The House, reflecting more accurately the popular will, gave them no encouragement. On the other hand, the majority of the Railroad Committee of the Senate attempted to help them, and desisted only when it became evident that public opinion would tolerate no further trifling with the subject. The Judiciary Committee had concentrated in support, of the measure the best intellects of the Senate, and the judgment of the country was pronounced in its favor. Few subjects had been more exhaustively discussed, and few have received more careful treatment. The law as it stands is moderate enough. It might have been made more exacting without injustice or without transcending the power vested in Congress. It aims simply at making provision for liabilities assumed in behalf of companies which are abundantly able to bear their own debts, and the terms it imposes are justified by statements emanating from the companies themselves. Having failed in their efforts to make the sinking fund a mere sham, and having been defeated under circumstances which showed that

public opinion heartily sustained Congress in its action, prudent managers would have acquiesced promptly in the settlement tendered them. Some changes in cherished plans might have been necessary. Certain speculative objects might have to be abandoned. But after a trial of strength which showed the futility of further resistance, they would have made a virtue of necessity and allayed the indignation which their obstinate evasion of just claims excited by leaving no room for doubt as to their *bona fide* acceptance of the result.

Mr. JAY GOULD overrates his power if he imagines that the demand of the country to which the Sinking Fund law gives partial expression can be defied with impunity. The adoption of this measure was one of the few redeeming events of last session, and none more fully commended itself to the people, irrespective of party. After all, however, it was a compromise, and if the companies for whose benefit Congress modified terms which, with perfect justice, it might have rendered more stringent, now refuse to execute the terms prescribed, more decisive measures will not be long delayed. The forfeiture of franchises is an extreme step, which great exigency alone could justify. Opposition to a just law may warrant the Government in taking even this step, and the Central Pacific shareholders will have only themselves to blame if they allow their company to be dragged by the Jay Goulds of the Union Pacific into the false position which is indicated as not improvable. Money and cunning and impudence may accomplish great things in the speculative world in which the guiding spirit of the Union Pacific has his being; but in a contest with the law-making power of the Government their insufficiency is too obvious to be disputed. The companies which rely upon these agencies in the present instance are not popular favorites. They have gone on adding to the burdens of transcontinental traffic, and multiplying obstacles in the path of competition, until the country is tired of their monopolizing pretensions. The odium which their management has excited has nothing to do with the merits of their quarrel with the Treasury, but it will be found to be a powerful force at Washington should the railroad managers adopt the course which they are believed to have in contemplation.

## NAVAL WARFARE.

Wooden ships were long since superseded by iron ones, and now the latter are being replaced by others clad heavily in steel. In spite, however, of all the great improvements in the architecture of modern vessels, accident and good fortune will undoubtedly have much to do with the naval warfare of the future. The foundering of the *Fangard* and the *Eurydice*, of the British Navy, and the loss of the *Grosser Kurfürst*, of the German fleet, represents one possibility, while the contest between the *Shah* and the *Huascar* in the Pacific Ocean, not many months back, is a striking illustration of the other. Nor is the contrast between the old sailing line-of-battle ship and the modern iron-clad greater than that between the crews of to-day and of the olden time. A ship's company is no longer made up of fighting sailors, who know how to bend a sheet or furl a sail as well as shot a gun or board a craft out in hand, but of gunners and firemen—the one to fight the ship and the other to keep it afloat and going. A modern iron-clad is a clumsy, dead mass, made to float by a perfectly flat bottom, giving great displacement below water; and, if we may believe some of the best British sailors, "you may put the helm of a flat-bottomed iron-clad, with twin screws, which way you like, and work the engines as you please, and, after all, you cannot tell with certainty where she will go to or when she will stop." The reason given for this is a perfectly intelligible one, even to the landsman. With her great flat bottom and small keel, the modern iron-clad has but little "bite" on the water; the helm will perhaps rapidly change the direction of the ship's bows, but her enormous momentum still carries her on in the original direction—or, worse still, the helm, screw, winds, and waves drive her in some unforeseen direction, as the result of the combined action of these complicated forces. In the meantime, the naval architects of Europe are by no means yet satisfied with the results achieved, and the contest between guns and armor continues with unabated zeal. Thus far, the gun has had the best of the fight, and the strongest targets have been penetrated with comparative ease. But the experiments are not yet ended, and foreign metallurgists are busily engaged in looking for a steel which shall be as tough as iron, and an iron which shall be as hard as steel.

That guns and armor are both destined to grow even beyond their present dimensions is already an avowed fact. Take, for instance, the improvements which have been made in Italy and in England. The former nation has to-day the most powerful iron-clads in existence. Seventeen years ago CAUVOT said that it would take Italy twenty years to form for herself a Navy. His country's Admiralty has within less than the appointed time a fleet of twenty iron-clads in the first category, and numerous gun-boats, dispatch vessels, &c., in all representing a total of sixty-six war ships, carrying 339 guns, with a horse-power of 93,083, and a tonnage of 147,945. The latest addition to this powerful fleet was launched quite recently at Spezzia, and is the most formidable war vessel now existing in the world. The *Dandolo* is an iron-clad of two turrets, 7,500 horse-power, 10,569 tons, and armed with four guns, each weighing 100 tons. This colossal vessel was launched in the presence of King HUMBERT and Queen MARGARET. It was blessed by the clergy; the sailors knelt, and, making the sign of the cross, exclaimed, "The Almighty protect us," and then the Queen, bearing the traditional bottle of champagne, christened this prodigious monument of naval engineering after ENRICO DANDOLLO, the blind Admiral of Venice and "despot of the East."

The *Dandolo* is a sister ship of the *Duilio*, which King VICTOR EMANUEL launched two years ago at Castellamare. Both are to be armed with 100-ton guns, and will carry armor no less than 22 inches in thickness. The *Italia* and *Lepanto*, which are building at Leghorn, are bigger than either of these even, and more than seventy millions of francs will be paid for these four formidable men-of-war. The turrets of

the *Dandolo*, the best ship in the British fleet, are fitted only to contain each of them a pair of 80-ton guns; but the iron walls of the English vessel are a little stouter than those of the Italian ship, being 24 inches in thickness.

It is, as we have already intimated, a prime necessity that a ship should float, and hence there is a limit to the weight of armor which can be carried at sea. Some time back Sir JOSEPH WHITWORTH, perhaps the greatest machinist of the day, gave it as his opinion that iron-clad ships had reached the point of absurdity under their enormous panoply of metal, which threatened to bury them, just as the knights of old were stifled by the weight of their armor, and that men are bound to return to first principles by building steel ships of amazing lightness and speed, carrying one or two guns of great size and power. The Italians claim to have mastered the problem, and the two ships now building are to be armored with three feet of solid steel and to carry a canon of certainly 120, perhaps 200, tons weight. But the English authorities, after numerous experiments at Portsmouth, claim to have good grounds for doubting the propriety of the decision at which their friends on the peninsula have arrived, and hold that a perfect substitute for iron as a means of resisting the huge projectiles of modern warfare has still to be produced.

It is possible that the foreign naval authorities are sacrificing too much in the way of handiness, sea-worthiness, speed, and horse-power to overcome only a nominal protection, seeing that there is not a ship afloat whose sides or turrets are absolutely not penetrable by the guns with which they would be assailed in any future war. Now, as the armor which was intended to keep out shell and solid shot can no longer keep them out, there are many naval constructors who contend, and we think correctly, that in these circumstances the retention of armor is a mere burden and in-cumbrance to the ship. If, in the face of the immense advance which is being effected in the science of gunnery, the protection of armor is to be retained, then it must certainly be entirely revolutionized. At the present moment, the pitching seems to have overcome the batting in the game of modern artillery, and projectiles of immense weight easily penetrate iron plates of enormous thickness.

## THE FREE THINKERS' CONVENTION.

It is announced that a convention of Free Thinkers, embracing all varieties of disbelief, from the sturdy atheism of COL. INGER-SOLL to the formless fog of Frothinghamism, is shortly to meet at Watkins Glen in this State, and to remain in session for three days.

The object of a convention of Free Thinkers is not very obvious. Free thinking is not a difficult task. Any one can do it alone and unaided if he sets about it. Some of the weakest and most ignorant of men have been able to become Free Thinkers, and have never thought of calling in assistance. It cannot, then, be that the members of the Watkins Glen convention propose to assist one another in free thinking. Their meeting is not for mutual assistance, and we are constrained to search for other reasons for its existence.

A Sunday-school convention or a Methodist camp-meeting is intelligible. Their members meet together to pray and praise, with, of course, a slight reference to lemonade and ice-cream. But the Free Thinkers regard prayer as a delusion, and praise as a perversion of the art of singing. They cannot ask any unseen power to bless them or their Free-Thinking paths, and to aid them in spreading the good news that the mortality is untrue. They can certainly sing, but their hymns must be devoid of all supernaturalism, and it is doubtful if they would call in rhythmic strains upon "Emma" to "whoa" without first signing a solemn declaration that "Emma" is a mere abstraction, and is in no sense to be regarded as a Free-Thinking variety of the Virgin MARY. Of course, they can eat ice-cream to as great an extent as the most devout believer, but a camp-meeting or a Sunday-school convention consisting wholly of lunch would be a very dull and cheerless affair.

It will naturally be thought that the members of the convention exercise themselves on public free thinking. But however delightful it may be to free think, no man can sit down with the deliberate intention of steadily free thinking for three consecutive days without many misgivings. Very likely, the convention will enjoy itself for the first two or three hours. As successive members rise up and remark that there is no God, some little enthusiasm must be kindled, and when some particularly eloquent Free Thinker proceeds to demonstrate that there is no life beyond the grave, and that the only immortality which man can have will consist in the indestructibility of his component carbon, nitrogen, and phosphorus, so cheering and sustaining a doctrine cannot but be received with joy. Still, after a little, this sort of thing will become monotonous. The nineteenth man who announces that there is no God, will be regarded as tedious, and the twenty-fifth demonstration that man is a brute will be as tiresome as the testimony before the Potter committee. Free thinking as a recreation is all very well, but three days of free thinking as a business would be inexpressibly depressing.

There will certainly be a lack of harmony manifested at the convention. So long as such simple propositions as the non-existence of God and a future life are announced they will not awaken any opposition, for even those Free Thinkers who dissent from these advanced views will be tolerant of anything but orthodox Christianity. The time will come, however, when some weak brother will advocate a belief in the existence of a God, and attempt to apologize for it by asserting that this God does not care what crimes a man may commit; or a still weaker brother may advance the theory that perhaps there may be something in which we could believe, if we could only find out what it is. Any such attempts to palm off the theology of Mr. BRECHER and Mr. FROTHINGHAM upon a convention made up in part of atheists will give rise to an honest display of indignation. It will be justly regarded as intolerable that the atheist susceptibilities of men who believe in nothing should be shocked by surreptitious attempts to disseminate among them the *sermon* of belief. As the debate warms

every man will find out that some other man believes a little more than he does; and will denounce him as a hypocrite and a villain, so that instead of hypocrisizing the world how lovely a thing it is for brethren to free think together in unity, the convention will present almost as discordant a spectacle as that presented by the hostile Christian sects.

In point of fact, there will be very little public free thinking done by the assembled Free Thinkers. Watkins Glen is a beautiful place, and in its neighborhood are abundant facilities for boating, fishing, &c.—as may be ascertained by reference to the advertisements of the local hotels. The Free Thinkers will devote their time to boating, fishing, &c.—the latter sport being, as it is surmised, practiced with the aid of a female Free Thinker and a moonlit piazza. Of course, as they note the lavish beauty of lake and glen and stream, they will mutely thank the beneficent law of development which has provided all these beauties, and will feel a momentary sadness as they remember that many men are so besotted as to believe that there is a Law-giver who has made all natural laws. They will revel in fish and green corn, and wallow—to a proper and innocent extent—in peaches, and will have all the pleasures of a picnic with the additional zest of thinking that the Christian world is watching them and trembling in its shoes lest the convention should utterly and forever demolish Christianity. No one need be alarmed at the assembling of this convention. The proceedings will be carried on principally in boats, and it will devote more time to killing fish than to destroying theology. Still, a convention of professional Free Thinkers ostensibly assembled to free think together must be a curious and interesting spectacle.

## THE CAUSES OF FAMINE IN INDIA.

It is commonly supposed that famines in India are due to the failure of the crops, and that the crops are cut off by the sudden droughts which sweep over the entire country; but when in Southern India alone six millions have perished by starvation in one year's famine, the causes must be deeper beneath the surface. A people that has been so stricken before and that is absolutely cut down by want of food. The social condition of the native population is at fault somewhere, and Miss FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, in the August *Nineteenth Century*, reveals the difficulty, with her usual penetration and sympathy. The land in India is not specially subject to famine; the cultivators of the soil are industrious; the native races compare favorably with other races in capacity to take care of themselves. The difficulty lies elsewhere, and it is summed up by Miss NIGHTINGALE in her accusation of the English nation, in one sentence: "We do not care for the people of India." By this she means that the British Government has put such burdens upon the people that they are crushed down by them.

For instance, salt in India, which costs 12 shillings 6 pence a ton, has a tax of 27 s. on this salt. The preservation of food, and absolutely forbids the native manufacture of salt. No man can live there without nine pounds of salt a year, and the cry for salt is only equalled by the cry for bread in ancient Rome. Then, in the famine districts, there is great suffering from the scarcity of water. Plenty of water there means irrigation, cheap canal communications, improved methods of agriculture, and forest plantations. Where the water supply is adequate, or has been made so by Government aid, there has been no famine. Then, again, the native man has no voice, no education, no method by which his grievances or sufferings may reach the public ear. The Government has been so hard upon him at its points of contact with his life that he shuns it even if it comes to him bearing relief from the middlemen, who oppress him the most. There is little to show in the British rule of India that the Government has had any higher idea than to take a view to the benefit of the cash-bag. First, the cultivation and consumption of tobacco within the Empire was to be subjected to a higher tax; next, its importation would be restricted by more onerous duties at the ports and frontiers; and, last of all, the change would be completed by establishing a Government monopoly such as exists in France and some other countries. The National Liberals claimed to see in the Chancellor's proposals and arguments, not so much a scheme for reorganizing the national finances as a design to grasp more firmly the reins of arbitrary power. They declared themselves opposed to these steps, and for the reason that it would strengthen immensely the hands of the Central Government and give it a position practically independent of the Reichstag. The Germans are a nation of smokers, and of course, there was a great outcry against the proposed tax. The Emperor, well willed to give his reasons in detail, and it must be acknowledged that he succeeded far better in proving the necessity and propriety of his demand than he has yet been able to do as regards his Army scheme.

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The result of the elections has been in favor of the Government by increased majorities. It is true, BISMARCK has not yet destroyed the National Liberal Party, but it has been weakened very considerably, and is now powerless to frustrate the two great schemes which the German Chancellor has at heart.

## GRAB YOUR CHANCES.

What is called success in life, generally of a material kind, seems to be made up of the avails of chances which occur only at wide intervals, and sometimes are never repeated. For lack of profiting by these, many men, balked of their aims, cheated of their expectations, are so soured with existence that they are of little benefit to themselves or anybody else. You frequently hear men say, "This is my chance," and yet they allow it to pass unimproved; or, by way of retrospect, "That was my chance; I neglected it, and have had cause for regret ever since," or, "I saw my chance, seized it, and once all that I am and have to my action then and there." Nearly everybody has chances, and he who is shrewd and energetic can least afford to forego them; for, while shrewdness and energy will always stand him in good stead, they will serve him best where they are exercised upon what is manifestly a chance. In fact, nobody can afford to disregard chances, which appear to be the kindly moods that Fortune has, periodically, to atone for her general severity.

"Grab your chances" is a bit of practical advice full of significance. It contains an Anglo-Saxon nervousness; it is not strong simply, it is aggressive; and aggressiveness, in the great struggle for existence, is the quality that wins. In life, as in military tactics, they who act on the defensive alone must be beaten in the end. To be victorious you must attack, and keep attacking. Not to attack implies want of strength or want of courage, and either is fatal. Nearly all men in the past or the present who have been, or who are, achievers have grabbed their chances. If they had not, they would in all likelihood either have fallen short of, or entirely missed, anticipated results. It is not enough to perceive and watch chances, waiting for their further development before you turn about and say, "You must grab your chances; you do there may be, and there usually are, others who have seen what you have seen, and who will act while you are thinking."

A chance is never for one person or a set of persons; it belongs to him who first discovers and clutches it; it yields to him who can compass and control it. A chance is commonly obvious to a number, and quickness is needed for its enjoyment. The world is full of people who have detected chances, and lost them by delay. They were just on the point of embracing them when somebody stepped before and wrought their discomfiture. It will not answer to trifle or contemplate, even to arrange for or accept; you must absolutely grab your chance, and cling to it tenaciously. Only they who grab are equipped of success.

There are those who let a chance slip, after recognizing it clearly, because they think they would have a better one, or because they imagine they can afford to wait. The immediate present is all that is really ours; the past is irrevocable, the future is insecure. We can judge of what is before us; of aught that is to come we cannot even guess. A poor chance is not far preferable to a chance remote and indefinite, no matter what it may promise. One chance seized is no hindrance to the seizure of another, when it arises; it is always far easier to relinquish the thing we have than to get the thing we have not. The possession and cultivation of one chance bring other chances nearer, and increase their liability to our control. Nor can we always afford to wait. The belief that we can be born of, and fostered by, vanity and egotism. Least of all, can we afford to wait for chances, because they, like time and tide, wait for no man. They are too rare and too precious to tarry. They seem to say, "Take me now or lose me forever," and if not taken on the instant, they are generally lost forever. Grab your chances, therefore, if you expect them to be yours. Otherwise, they will be somebody's else, and often in the twinkling of an eye. While you pause or ponder for a moment, the chance that was yours has become another's, and regret and repining are vain. Hesitate, falter, question, and what might have gratified your dearest wish or filled your life with satisfaction is vanished under your very eyes.

Scarcely anything fills the representative man with more discontent and bitterness than the consciousness that another man has secured what might have been his. The might have been is, to his mind, the ought to have been; he feels as if he had been robbed, wronged, outraged, and resents the deprivation of what he never had and too precious to tarry. If he hold in secret any suspicion that his failure is attributable to himself, his rancor toward his fated wronger, the snatcher of his chance, is intensified by the smirking of his self-love.

To grab your chance simply prevents somebody else from grabbing it, and saves you from an acerbity that involves gross injustice. You may think grabbing undignified, indecorous—and it is so no doubt—but in the hard, driving, work-day world of which we speak, dignity and decorum are little considered. If we would succeed materially, we must make some sort of compromise with our sensibilities and aspirations. The Actual gibes at the Ideal. In practical competition with our fellows, we may wait for our chances in exalted and exemplary repose, but we shall be forced to wait long and dearly. When we arm for battle and set our souls on conquest, we must grab our chances.

## AUTHORS AND MONEY.

That authors should write for money has by some very respectable people, whose number, it is to be hoped, is exceedingly small, been considered as a reproach to the profession of literature. This is in effect to insist that men of letters should be more virtuous than ordinary mortals, and that they should live and labor far from the madding crowd, where the desire of sordid gain is unknown and glory is the reward of learning



















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THE SOUTHERN PESTILENCE

DECREASED MORTALITY IN NEW ORLEANS.

THE MALIGNANT FORM OF THE DISEASE IN THE OLD CASES—PECCILIARITIES OF THE DISEASE THIS YEAR—GOOD WEATHER AND ABUNDANT BELIEF—APPROPRIATIONS OF A CHANGE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

NEW-ORLEANS, Aug. 25.—To-day's report shows such a marked decrease in the mortality—35 deaths—that much hope is entertained that either the climate has been reached or that the disease is lessening in violence. The number of new cases is 230, 65 of which are reported by the Howard Association. Cases are now rapidly appearing in the Third District, which has hitherto been free from infection. The old cases in the north-eastern and north-western portions of the First District are still marked by a malignant type of fever. The returns from practitioners among the better classes show the mortality in private practice to be scarcely 10 per cent. The total number of cases thus far is 3,672, of which 1,345 are reported by the Howards. The total deaths are 610, making the general mortality less than 16 per cent. The city is quiet, and the usual routine of business and pleasure is pursued, showing the undisturbed state of the popular mind.

A peculiarity of the fever this year is its frequent complication with malarial complaints, rendering it remittent in form and less manageable. This complex type is mainly confined to the neighborhood of the canals and the river. The use of carbolic acid is almost discontinued. The Board of Health confining its efforts to the arrest of decay in the gutters and dumping grounds. Much complaint having been made of the large quantity of refuse cast into the river, the city of the proposed Lee Monument, the entire place has been covered with quicklime.

Mr. E. W. Barnes, the manager of the Western Union Telegraph at this place, lies to-night in a critical condition, as does also one of the associate editors of the Times, Mr. O. V. Shearer.

If the highest point in the epidemic has not already been touched, the evidence is strong that it will be before the 1st prox. The Howard Association are doing their utmost, and have now ample means pouring in from all quarters.

The weather is propitious, being warm and calm, but there are indications of a severe equinoctial setting in shortly. Altogether, New-Orleans may be considered to be the least among the stricken, the fever being less malignant and aid for sufferers more plentiful than in any of the localities yet visited by the disease.

Rev. Father Doyle, C. M., of St. Joseph's Church, is dead of the fever.

Dr. Stone returned to the city this afternoon from Port Eads. He reported to the Howard Association that the patients there, except one or two, are convalescent. One nurse remained there; the other returned with Dr. Stone.

The fever has appeared at Bayou Deslons. In response to an appeal, there being no physician there, the Howard Association sent Dr. O. J. Wolf to that point yesterday. The doctor reported seven cases of fever, and by telegram requested the Howards to send two nurses by the morning train.

THE FORLORN HOPE AT GRENADA.

DEATHS AND THREE NEW CASES YESTERDAY—INEFFECTUAL APPEALS FOR NURSES—THE RESIDENT PHYSICIAN AND THE POSTMASTER DOWY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

GRENADA, Miss., Aug. 25.—Since my last dispatch the following deaths have occurred: A. Gerrard, Sr., D. W. Hooks, Callie Davis, Mrs. E. Shankle, Mrs. Wolfe, and five colored persons; total number of deaths, 10. Three new cases have appeared among the white population, and several are reported among the colored people.

Dr. Hall, one of our resident physicians, was taken down to-day. The Postmaster, W. T. Cole, was taken yesterday, and thus far to-day no mails have been dispatched.

Calls for nurses are being made hourly upon Col. Anderson, and it is exceedingly painful to him to have to turn the applicants away without assistance. At least five families are down to rights without an attendant of any description. The scene is frightful, and can be better imagined than described.

NEW-ORLEANS, Aug. 25.—The Howard Association to-day received the following telegram: GRENADA, Miss., Aug. 25. If possible, send more nurses; if not nurses, some one to help the sick the best they can. We are short of provisions and nourishment for the sick. Drs. Hall and Guy and the Postmaster are down with the fever; no mail from any point. The negroes are all getting the fever. Four whites and two negroes died last night. Colored persons are dying for want of proper nourishment and domestic aid. I am well. Dr. YEATZ.

DEADLY FEVER WEATHER AT MEMPHIS.

INCREASE IN THE DEATH LIST YESTERDAY—GEN. SMITH'S CONDITION DANGEROUS—DR. PORTER AMONG THE NEW CASES.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 25.—This morning dawned under the most unfavorable conditions for yellow fever patients. It was cloudy, damp, and showery up to noon, followed by a threatening shower till night, and the result is shown in the increased number of deaths reported. There is some consolation, however, in the considerable falling off in the number of new cases. The report from the Board of Health for the past 24 hours shows 67 new cases and 26 deaths from yellow fever. The dead are as follows: Fannie Schalschaga, aged 15; Ed. Price, 13; Alice Schur, 13; Marie Norris, 24; Henry Haegis, 15; Hannah Schalschaga, no age given; R. Foel, 50; Samuel Pollock, 43; David H. Haegis, no age given; John D. Elliott, 49; John R. Kleiner, 43; Thomas Forester, 29; M. McKernan, 50; S. E. Berry, 30; John Conlin, 45; Daniel Dugan, 30; Margaret Williams, 40; Walter C. Willis, 18; Thomas Winters, 9; Elizabeth Ryan, 22; Caroline C. Jones, 70; Mrs. John Donovan, 40; Sarah E. Williams, 30; Robert Gray (colored), 23; Caroline Slodge, 35; A. E. Richardson, 38.

The prominent names in the above list are Capt. John D. Elliott, an old Arkansian and White River steam-boat man, and Mrs. John Donovan, wife of Col. John Donovan, whose entire family was reported in the new cases yesterday. Since to-day's report was made out one of the children has died.

The increase in the list of deaths is to be expected from the increase in the new cases during the past three or four days. The increase in cases convalescing is in the same proportion. Gen. W. J. Smith, who returned from Grenada, sick, is reported in a dangerous condition. Dr. D. T. Porter's name also appears in the new cases reported to-day. There is a scarcity of nurses, and the Howard Association have telegraphed to Mobile and other points for them. Members of the different associations are doing noble work, in striking contrast to the action of a few people who have deserted friends and relatives in their distress. Instances are known of parents deserting their children, and children their parents. The wife and children of a prominent citizen were taken with the fever during his absence. He was telegraphed for by the Howards, and replied: "Take care of my family." His wife is dead, and to-day his children were conveyed to the City Hospital, where one has since died.

NATIONAL CAPITAL TOPICS.

COMMAND OF WASHINGTON ARSENAL.

THE TRANSFER OF CAPT. BRECKINRIDGE FROM FORT FORT TO THE ARSENAL—INCREASE OF EXPORTS OVER IMPORTS—A SON OF SENATOR JOHNSTON APPOINTED A WEST POINT CADET.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The transfer of Capt. Breckinridge, of the Second Artillery, from the command of Fort Fort, a small post on the Potomac, to the command of the Washington Arsenal, which is regarded by Army officers as one of the most desirable posts in the country, has been attributed, in certain quarters, to Executive favoritism, Capt. Breckinridge being, as was alleged, a cousin of Mrs. Hayes. Such is not the fact. Capt. Breckinridge is not related to Mrs. Hayes, but belongs to the Breckinridge family, of Kentucky, and is a second cousin of the late John C. Breckinridge. He is also a cousin of Senator Johnston, of Virginia. Gen. Sherman is reported to have opposed the transfer because he preferred an officer of the Ordnance Department. Capt. Breckinridge states that he did not desire to leave Fort Fort, as he was very comfortable there. He had not asked for the change, and if he had been consulted he would have declined.

The Chief of the Bureau of Statistics has in preparation a compilation of statistics showing the increase of our exports over imports within the last few years. The figures will be of great interest. The report for the last year shows that the value of our exports was \$1,000,000,000, and the value of our imports was \$900,000,000. The excess of exports over imports was \$100,000,000.

The son of Senator Johnston, of Virginia, has been appointed a cadet at West Point. He is a namesake of his uncle, Gen. John Johnston.

THE CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN.

SENATOR CONOVER AND THE FLORIDA DISTRICTS—NOMINATIONS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Senator Conover, who has been nominated for Congress from one of the Florida districts, expresses doubt whether he will make the canvass, owing to the fact that there does not seem to be sufficient disposition on the part of the Northern Republicans to render the necessary assistance to conduct a campaign in such a remote locality. It is probable that the Republican Congressional Committee may contribute the necessary means.

COLUMBUS, Ga., Aug. 25.—The Democrats of the Fourth Congressional District, after four days' session and 370 ballots for Congressmen without result, adjourned Saturday, at midnight, by a vote of 173 to 162, to meet at New Orleans on the 1st of September.

The highest vote for Harris, the present Congressman, was 181-3 out of 34.

THE SOUTHERN REPUBLICAN SENATORS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The Post also declares that Senator Spencer, during his late visit here, has made up with the Administration, and has procured several appointments in his interest in Alabama.

The Post claims to have seen a letter from a prominent South Carolina Republican, in which it is stated that Senator Patterson has proposed to Gen. Hampton to resign his seat in the Senate, and to be succeeded by a full and complete member of the present legal movement for his prosecution. The Post says it knows the letter to be genuine.

THE RUSSIAN ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

ENGLISH CHARGES OF CONSPIRACY AT THE BULGARIAN OUTRAGES REPELLED—GEN. SKOBELEFF'S HEAD-QUARTERS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 25.—The Agency Russe, commenting upon the dispatches of Lord Salisbury and of the English Consul, accusing the Russian authorities of connivance at the atrocities of the Bulgarians, says the latter is offensive, and that there is no foundation to the charge. The Agency Russe says that the Russian authorities are doing their utmost to suppress the Bulgarians, and that the Russian Government is doing its best to suppress the Bulgarians.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—A Constantinople dispatch to Reuters' Telegram Company, dated Sunday, says the departure of the Russians is progressing. Gen. Skobelev is in command of the forces which are to be withdrawn to Roumelia. His headquarters will be at Rodosto, near the Bulgarian frontier.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—A dispatch to the Post from St. Petersburg says fresh troops are leaving to replace those ordered home from Constantinople. The Russian Government is doing its best to suppress the Bulgarians, and that the Russian Government is doing its best to suppress the Bulgarians.

THE AUSTRIAN ADVANCE IN BOSNIA.

ANOTHER NINE HOURS' FIGHT BY GEN. ZAPART'S FORCE—20,000 INSURGENTS OPPOSED TO HIM.

VIENNA, Aug. 25.—Gen. Szapary telegraphs that the insurgents again attacked him on Friday, but were repulsed after nine hours' fighting.

A Belgrade telegram estimates that 20,000 insurgents with heavy artillery are confronting Gen. Szapary. It is expected that he will re-ceive reinforcements on Tuesday, and will then resume the offensive.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—A Vienna dispatch to the Times says: A general cabinet council was held on Saturday with regard to a convention with Turkey. Having, without avail, exhausted all efforts to secure the fixing of a limit to the occupation of the Turkish provinces, and to the removal of the Russian army from the Balkans, the Porte now desires the convention to read: "Temporary exercise of sovereignty." The proposition has been handed to the Emperor of Austria, but it is doubtful whether even this will be accepted.

CURRENT TOPICS ABROAD.

THE EMPEROR WILLIAM AT GASTEN—THE PARIS EXHIBITION—THE BUKHARA RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT MACMAHON—PEACE CONGRESS.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The Emperor William of Germany has arrived at Gasten.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—It is stated that the distribution of prizes at the Exhibition has been postponed until Oct. 20.

The rumors of the impending resignation of President MacMahon and of changes in the Ministry are denied.

Five thousand persons were present at the Peace Congress, at the Circus of the Chateau d'Eu to-day. Mr. Tolstain presided. Resolutions were passed favoring international arbitration. Letters were read from Victor Hugo and Louis Blanc.

MADRID, Aug. 25.—The Politico publishes an article, to which considerable significance is attached, deploring the threatening conduct of the Constitutionalists, and declaring that the

BRIGANDS IN NEW-JERSEY.

MASKED BURGERS IN THE VILLAGE OF FAIRVIEW.

A HOUSE ENTERED BY FOUR MEN AT THE DEAD OF NIGHT—BUTANAL ASSAULT ON AN OLD MAN AND WOMAN—THE WATCH-DOGS DRUGGED—A BRAVE MAN FRIGHTENS THE BURGERS AND SHOTS ONE OF THEM.

The little village of Fairview, N. J., was thrown into intense excitement at a little before 2 o'clock yesterday morning, by the report that the house of one of its oldest and most respected inhabitants had been entered by burglars and its inmates dangerously wounded. A general outpouring of the village at once took place, and a strong party, with every direction to the hope of overtaking and capturing the outlaws who had committed the crime. Fairview is a station on the Northern Railroad of New Jersey, and is in Hudson County, just on the borders of Bergen. Until a few years ago it was called "English neighborhood," and by that name is yet most commonly known.

Just across a road, the road in the rear of the house of Mr. Andrew S. Engle, a gentleman more than 80 years of age, who is known to be wealthy and is reputed to keep large sums of money in his house. The building is an old-fashioned one, and is occupied in the front part by Mr. Engle and his wife, the lady being 85 years of age, and in the rear by Mr. Simon Engle, a grand-nephew of the old man, with whom dwell his wife and two little girls, and Mr. Peter Earle, who is 70 years of age. The young man worked Mr. Engle's farm, and, for the protection of the property, kept two large and fierce mastiffs.

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# COMMERCIAL AFFAIRS.

## New-York, Monday, Aug. 26, 1878.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been as follows:

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| Wheat      | 10,201 |
| Barley     | 2,732  |
| Oats       | 1,146  |
| Rye        | 1,146  |
| Flour      | 1,146  |
| Meal       | 1,146  |
| Grain      | 1,146  |
| Hay        | 1,146  |
| Straw      | 1,146  |
| Wool       | 1,146  |
| Butter     | 1,146  |
| Cheese     | 1,146  |
| Eggs       | 1,146  |
| Lard       | 1,146  |
| Tallow     | 1,146  |
| Oil        | 1,146  |
| Sugar      | 1,146  |
| Coffee     | 1,146  |
| Tea        | 1,146  |
| Spices     | 1,146  |
| Herbs      | 1,146  |
| Flowers    | 1,146  |
| Stems      | 1,146  |
| Leaves     | 1,146  |
| Roots      | 1,146  |
| Fruit      | 1,146  |
| Vegetables | 1,146  |
| Grains     | 1,146  |
| Seeds      | 1,146  |
| Plants     | 1,146  |
| Animals    | 1,146  |
| Minerals   | 1,146  |
| Metals     | 1,146  |
| Stones     | 1,146  |
| Clays      | 1,146  |
| Sands      | 1,146  |
| Shells     | 1,146  |
| Corals     | 1,146  |
| Reefs      | 1,146  |
| Islands    | 1,146  |
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| Swamps     | 1,146  |
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| Hills      | 1,146  |
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| Plains     | 1,146  |
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| Savannas   | 1,146  |
| Steppes    | 1,146  |
| Tundras    | 1,146  |
| Glaciers   | 1,146  |
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NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, AUG. 27, 1878.

## AMUSEMENTS THIS EVENING.

UNION-SQUARE THEATRE.—OLIVIA—Miss Fanny  
Davenport, Miss Linda Dyer, Mr. Charles Fisher,  
Mr. C. A. Stevenson, Mr. Edwin Price.

THEATRE COMIQUE.—FARCE—MUSICO—COMEDIANTE,  
Ac.—Messrs. Harrison and Eliot.

MILBURN GARDEN.—THE THREE DETECTIVE—Mr. T. G.  
Riggs.

GILMORE'S GARDEN.—SUMMER NIGHT CONCERT.—The  
Gilmore Family and orchestra.

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The Signal Service Bureau report indicates  
for to-day, in this region, warmer, clear or  
partly cloudy weather, variable winds, mostly  
southerly, stationary or falling barometer.

Certain Republican orators are vexed by  
the accusation that our party, when it  
funded the seven-thirties, contracted the  
legal-tender currency. The Treasury  
officials reassure them with the statement  
that the seven-thirties were not legal  
tenders, and that is, of course, correct.  
These notes did, however, to a certain  
extent perform the duty of currency, and  
their withdrawal was, to that degree, con-  
traction; but why not take the bull by the  
horns and declare the principle that it was  
the duty of the Government to pay its debt  
or to fund it at a lower rate of interest,  
even though the measure worked some con-  
traction? If the result was for the time  
being disturbing, the fault lay, not in the  
withdrawal of the notes, but in their issue  
in a form to serve as currency. This fault  
was very slight in the case of the seven-  
thirties; it was very great in the case of  
the legal-tenders. The proper argument to  
draw from the matter is that the Govern-  
ment should keep out of a business in which  
its interference causes so much confusion.

It is not a cheerful spectacle to see a  
Senator of the United States dodging a re-  
quisition in criminal proceedings, and beg-  
ging his political rival to protect him, but  
such appears to be the view taken in Wash-  
ington of the present conduct of Senator  
PATTERSON, of South Carolina. The sur-  
mise that the quasi-Republican Senator will  
"pay off" his Democratic colleague next  
Winter by voting for Mr. CORBIN is a very  
natural one, but it is not very creditable to  
the Senator's reputation.

Mr. CHARLES H. MARSHALL, one of the  
best authorities on the condition of the  
shipping trade, and on the forces affecting it,  
was before the Hewitt committee yester-  
day. He said the depression in his trade  
was, in brief, caused by the fact that  
ships could be built cheaper abroad than  
here, and our people were not then allowed  
to buy them. Mr. MARSHALL announced  
himself a free-trader, but it does not seem  
that this is a matter of the theory of general  
free trade. Granting that we should protect  
American shipbuilders, are we doing it? The  
present law prevents American shippers from  
buying vessels abroad, but they do buy them  
at home? Mr. MARSHALL says that they do  
not. Then we are not protecting ship-  
builders, and we are throwing the carrying  
trade into the hands of foreign shippers.  
We commend this view of the case to the  
Essex statesman who is so worried about  
the interest paid to foreign bondholders.

A curious instance of the manner in which  
Federal and State Legislatures get things  
mixed sometimes is described in our Wash-  
ington dispatches this morning. Owing to  
the failure of the Iowa State Legislature to  
consult the laws of Congress in regard to  
the time of electing members of the House  
of Representatives, an election day has  
been appointed upon which the Federal  
law does not allow the Congressmen to be  
chosen. It results that the State must  
either have an extra session of its Legisla-  
ture, to alter the date now appointed for the  
State election, or it must have a second  
election for Congressmen. Secretary Mc-  
CRACK advises the former course, which  
may very likely be followed.

Our readers have had presented to them  
the text of the treaty proposed by the  
Commercial Convention of French and Ameri-

can delegates recently held in Paris. As  
we intimated the other day, the con-  
cessions offered from the French side  
in this proposition are involved in the  
admission of America to the treaty tariff  
of France. This is an important conces-  
sion, and it does not seem doubtful that  
it is fully worth the reductions in our own  
tariff which are proposed. It remains only  
to add that the project of the treaty in its  
present form was adopted with only three  
dissenting votes in the convention. These  
three votes were cast by the delegates of  
the Chamber of Commerce of Nantes, on  
the ground that the interests of that city  
were not sufficiently protected.

It would seem as if the dissensions bred  
by Turkey are never to cease, for scarcely  
has the bitterness between Austria and the  
Porte begun to subside, when the state of  
Bulgaria occasions fresh recriminations be-  
tween Russia and England. The latter  
quotes the rumored arrival of fresh troops  
to replace those already withdrawn, the  
transfer of the Russian headquarters to a  
commanding point like Rodosto, and the al-  
leged "atrocities" which seem to be chronic  
features of Bulgarian life; and the former  
retorts with allusions to the non-withdrawal  
of the British fleet, the attempt of the Porte  
to delay for another fortnight the surrender  
of Batoum, and England's "encroaching  
spirit" in the East. It is certainly hard  
that the Russian regulars should be held ac-  
countable for villanies with which they  
have as little to do as the British and  
American troops of last century with the  
floods of the "Skinners" and "Cow-  
boys" who followed their march. So long,  
however, as Russia occupies Bulgaria,  
she is responsible for it, and her best course  
is to forward the establishment of the pro-  
visional government which Prince DONOU-  
KOFF-KORSKOFF is organizing at Timova,  
and to punish promptly all violations of the  
public peace. The renewed attacks of the  
Bosnians upon Gen. SZAPARY show that the  
blows of Stoliatz and Sarajevo have been  
less crushing than Austria considers them.  
Germany continues her war upon Socialism,  
and the patriotic agitators of North Italy  
are at work once more.

SECRETARY SHERMAN'S SPEECH.  
The speech delivered yesterday at Toledo  
derives its chief claim to attention from the  
official position of its author. A discussion  
of the financial question by the Secretary  
of the Treasury should be clear, strong, and  
in a certain sense conclusive. The draw-  
back to Mr. SHERMAN's speech, or so much  
of it that relates to finance, is that it lacks  
these conditions. As an expression of his  
faith in the feasibility of resumption, and  
the state and resources of the Treasury with  
reference to that measure, it is sufficiently  
positive; though his assurances upon this  
branch of the subject would probably com-  
mand greater respect if they evinced a  
more critical appreciation of its difficulties  
and of the attendant circumstances that are  
requisite for its success. On other  
points,—notably the silver coinage and the  
continued circulation of greenbacks—his  
remarks are not calculated to impress in-  
telligent readers favorably, or to inspire them  
with a reverence for the qualifications ex-  
acted from the head of the financial de-  
partment of the Government.

It has been unfortunate throughout all  
the recent discussions in Congress that the  
influence of the Treasury has not been as  
effective as it might have been on the side  
of sound finance. The nonsense of the sil-  
ver-remonetizers received a certain degree  
of support from the official who should have  
resisted it most firmly; and the mischievous  
provisions of the law enlarging the mini-  
mum of greenback circulation and direct-  
ing the reissue of notes after having gone  
through the pretense of redeeming them, in-  
stead of being vigorously denounced, were ac-  
quiesced in, if not indirectly encouraged by  
the Treasury. We cannot affect surprise,  
then, at the strange utterances of the Sec-  
retary when talking of the silver problem  
before an Ohio audience. The atmosphere  
of Ohio is not invigorating when financial  
points are undergoing treatment, and Mr.  
SHERMAN is too prone to sink the financier  
in the politician to ward off effectually the  
temptation of an exciting canvass. To this  
circumstance, let us assume, rather  
than to the absence of elementary knowl-  
edge, may be ascribed his extraordinary  
statements in regard to the effect of re-monet-  
ization as an aid to resumption and the  
status to be assigned to the silver dollar in  
the currency of the country.

Mr. SHERMAN is explicit so far as the con-  
vertibility of the greenback is concerned.  
Redemption in coin was promised and he  
exerts, not without reason, over the pro-  
gress already made toward a fulfillment of  
the promise. His zeal in behalf of resump-  
tion, however, is marred by loose notions  
as to the value of the silver coinage as one  
of the resumption agencies. "For months  
before the time fixed," he says, "silver and  
gold and paper are almost on par with each  
other." Nor is this untenable declaration  
a slip of the speaker's tongue. In another  
part of his address he talks of the interconvertibility of these  
three currencies, not simply as a  
desirable sequence of resumption, but as a  
result which may be brought about. Now,  
the statement that these currencies are at  
this moment "almost on par with each  
other" is flagrantly incorrect. The value  
of the greenback approaches so nearly the  
par of gold that, if considerations affecting  
the permanence of the change could be dis-  
carded, resumption might be said to be all  
but practically attained. But it is impos-  
sible to include in the resumption category  
a silver dollar worth only eighty-eight cents,  
which the Treasury is unable to put into  
circulation, and which would find its way  
back to the Treasury if by any influences it  
were forced into use. Never has there been  
a more ridiculous failure than that of the  
remonetization quacks, and it is mortifying  
to find the principal administrator of the  
nation's finances contributing to the con-  
tinuance of a delusion by the perversion of  
a notorious fact. Resumption means the  
interconvertibility of greenbacks and gold,  
or it has no meaning at all. A resumption  
that implies the possibility of exchanging a  
note worth 99½ or 100 cents for a coin  
worth 88 cents would be—to use the mil-  
lennium—a burlesque.

Indeed Mr. SHERMAN himself has some  
misgivings upon the subject. He admits  
that the unlimited coinage of the present  
silver dollar will drive gold out of the  
country, and will end in establishing a  
single standard of silver. But he adopts a  
chimerical method of remedying this ten-  
dency. It would operate, as he explains it,  
"by readjusting the relative weight of the  
two coins, either by increasing the weight  
of the silver coin or lowering the weight  
of the gold coin." The objection to this  
plan is that it cannot be worked. The  
value of silver fluctuates so constantly that  
the process of readjusting must go on per-  
petually, or the proper ratio will not be  
maintained. But an ever-recurring read-  
justment, involving the value of a coin-  
age in constant use, would be impossi-  
ble. The desired equalization could not  
be maintained, and one or the other of  
the coins would in turn disappear. Mr.  
SHERMAN has another source of hope—the  
International Conference at Paris; but all  
that is yet known of the proceedings for-  
bids the expectation of help from that  
quarter. Foreign Governments are not  
likely to plunge into a financial dilemma  
for no other reason than that this country,  
having committed a great blunder, wants  
companionship in its embarrassment. Mr.  
SHERMAN's menace does not mend matters  
very much. If the silver question be not  
solved in some such way, he asserts, "we  
will have to adopt the single standard of  
silver, like the Chinese and other Asiatic  
nations." Consoling reflection! We are to  
rank ourselves with semi-barbaric Asia,  
and to turn our backs upon civilized Eu-  
rope, as the penalty of a folly to which  
men high in office bowed obsequiously,  
and which they still sustain. So Mr. SHERMAN  
assures us, and he ought to know.

He is confident, moreover, as to the views  
and purposes of the Republican Party con-  
cerning the future of a paper currency.  
The party, he alleges, "distinctly main-  
tains the right and duty of the Government  
to keep in circulation such an amount of  
United States notes as can be readily main-  
tained at par with coin." We reply that  
the party does nothing of the sort. Its  
platforms are the only trustworthy expres-  
sions of its policy, and they furnish no  
foundation whatever for Mr. SHERMAN's  
statement. Doubtless, there are Republi-  
cans who would favor the programme he  
lays down, but the party, as such, has given  
them no encouragement. It is fortunate  
both for the Republican organization and  
the country that Mr. SHERMAN neither  
shapes the policy of one nor makes the laws  
of the other. His functions are adminis-  
trative merely, or his Toledo speech would  
call for sterner criticism.

BUTLER'S CIRCUS.  
If any fun is to be found in any political  
canvass, it may be looked for in Massa-  
chusetts when BUTLER is a candidate for  
office. We do not mean to intimate that  
Massachusetts people, as a rule, think that  
one of BUTLER's canvasses is funny. To  
them, we can well understand, it is serious  
business. The staid, reserved, dignified  
members of the old parties regard BUTLER  
very much as a heavy tragedian might look  
upon a disreputable circus clown—low-  
down and despicable, but dangerous to  
"the legitimate business." There are peo-  
ple in Massachusetts who will feel like im-  
migrating and disowning the place of  
their birth if BUTLER should be elected  
Governor. They apologize for him as a sort  
of abnormal development for which the old  
Bay State is not responsible. They are  
mortified that he is so prominent as a son  
of Massachusetts; and if it could be dis-  
covered that he was born in New-York, for  
example, they would be delighted. And if  
any outsider has a good-natured laugh at  
the expense of the panic-stricken respect-  
ability of Massachusetts, they affect to en-  
joy the joke, but quote the scandalous  
things which have disgraced the politics of  
other States. For better or for worse,  
chiefly for worse, BUTLER is in the field as  
a candidate to succeed the Winthrops,  
Everetts, and Andrews of other times.

The charm of BUTLER's canvass, to an  
impartial spectator, is its grotesque an-  
tithesis. There is no art of the demagogue,  
no trick of the politician, and no incon-  
sistency of the turncoat, to which BUTLER  
is a stranger. He is master of all these.

He knows how easily the mass of voters  
can be fooled and deceived, and if he winks  
his sinister eye at the more intelligent of  
his supporters, as if he would say, "See  
me fool these people," he does it with such  
an excess of humor that even the most  
conscientious cannot withhold a grain of  
sympathy from a man who is so clever, so  
cunning, and so audacious withal. BUTLER's  
beginning of his canvass is a stroke of  
genius in its way. It may be the desperation  
of despair, for he cannot secure the nomi-  
nation for Governor from any existing  
party. But it is the very best thing that he  
can do under the circumstances. He wants  
to be Governor of Massachusetts as much as  
DANIEL WEBSTER ever wanted to be Presi-  
dent of the United States, and that is say-  
ing a great deal. He wants that office  
more than ever now, because  
he has been told so often that he cannot  
and shall not have it. If he was at his wit's  
end to secure the nomination, it was not  
for long. He conceived the notion of nom-  
inating himself by acclamation. An ordi-  
nary man could not have invented such a  
delightful political surprise. Sometimes a  
theatrical or musical performer "works  
up" a complimentary testimonial by having  
a request for a public performance and  
benefit numerously signed by leading citi-  
zens. But who, except BUTLER, would  
have thought of applying this harmless lit-  
tle expedient to the voting population of a  
whole State?

The "request" for BUTLER to become the  
people's candidate for Governor has been  
distributed throughout Massachusetts by  
industrious agents. Its success has been  
the success of one of the "monster peti-  
tions" to a Legislature which is sometimes  
brought into the hall by several bearers  
and unrolled in all its portentous expanse  
before the gaze of the assembled legislative  
wisdom of a State. It is claimed that about  
50,000 names are represented in BUTLER's  
petition to himself. There is no such thing  
as going behind the returns in this case.  
It is BUTLER's own private and individ-  
ual canvass. The "request" is directed  
to himself, and if he should choose  
to say that he had succeeded in securing  
100,000 voters to ask him to run for Gov-  
ernor, no man would have a right to question  
the returns. So he opens the canvass with  
the refreshing statement that 49,000 men  
have, merely as a preliminary, signed a  
little note asking him to sacrifice his per-  
sonal feelings, abandon his well-earned

privacy, and consent to be the standard-  
bearer of the people. It is a touching spec-  
tacle, and if any of the effete monarchies  
of Europe could find time to look at it we  
are confident that they would be enter-  
tained.

Then, too, BUTLER is to take the field in  
his own person. There will be music  
wherever he goes. He has the rare merit of  
saying just what he intends to say. He  
does not always say what he means; but  
that is of no consequence; he does make  
himself understood. His circus may not be  
a great moral show, but it invariably fills  
the promise of the bills on the outside of  
the tent. BUTLER long ago cast off all of  
those smaller decencies of life which ham-  
per fastidious men in a political canvass.  
He was apparently born without fear. A  
man who has no troublesome moral prin-  
ciples, no sense of courtesy, and no fear of  
what others may think or say of him, en-  
ters a personal political canvass with few  
impediments. He is in light marching  
order. This is BUTLER's position; and  
when to this we add his well-known talent  
for bluster, sarcasm, and brutal wit, we can  
well see how he will make things lively in  
the staid old Commonwealth of Massachu-  
setts.

As this is true of Gen. BUTLER and his  
circus, we regret to learn that intimidation  
has been begun in Massachusetts. As we  
have seen, the Claimant is prepared to take  
a leaf out of everybody's book. We shall  
probably be told that the intimidation busi-  
ness is one of his own inventions. It is said  
that the national banks in New-York have  
reached over into Massachusetts and have  
threatened business men with punishment  
if they sign BUTLER's mammoth peti-  
tion. Men who support BUTLER are not  
to have discounts at the banks. Some ad-  
mirable people will believe that the banks  
have done this wildly ab-  
surd thing. They will see that a green-  
backer is just the sort of man to borrow  
money and then repudiate his promise to  
pay. Therefore, they will argue, it is quite  
likely that BUTLER is to be persecuted for  
his tendencies toward repudiation. But the  
"intimidation" dodge is really delightful.  
It has an ancient Butlerian flavor which  
recommends it to the admiration of men.  
And this, too, when the canvass is hardly  
open. There is more to come, and before  
the election day, BUTLER will certainly  
wake the echoes with one of the most  
hilarious episodes in American politics.

THE LET-ALONE POLICY.  
The recent sittings of the Congressional  
Labor Committee have presented a striking  
contrast with those of two weeks before, both  
in the character of those giving testimony  
before it and in the opinions which they have  
expressed regarding the causes and the rem-  
edy for the existing depression. During  
the three sessions of the past week the wit-  
nesses have been for the most part men of  
exceptional intelligence, who have either  
made a careful study of the principles affect-  
ing commerce and industry or have had a  
wide experience with their practical work-  
ing. It is unnecessary to point  
out more specifically the contrast in this  
respect. But the difference in regard to  
the remedies suggested for the ills we  
have is still more remarkable. The burden  
of the demand of the Socialists and labor  
reformers who constituted the army of  
voluntary witnesses at the earlier sittings  
was that the Government should by legisla-  
tion and an extended administration of in-  
dustrial affairs rectify all evils. It should  
be the business of the Government to see  
that all citizens were employed and sup-  
ported in comfort, with the opportunities  
for social and educational improvement. The  
Government should control and regulate  
everything, to the end that it might be  
managed for the benefit of all and in ac-  
cordance with their wants and needs. On the  
other hand, the experts who have been giving  
their testimony for the last few days were  
very generally agreed upon an exactly op-  
posite policy—that of the least possible inter-  
ference, by law or by the power of Govern-  
ment, with the processes of trade and the  
interests of industry. Prof. SUMNER, who  
has given years of study to the subject as a  
scholar and a teacher; Mr. HORACE WHITE,  
who has given it attention as a practical  
journalist; Mr. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS,  
Jr., who has made a special and very  
thorough study of the effects of the great  
transportation interests, and Mr. TRUBNER  
and other merchants of large experience,  
were substantially in accord upon this  
point, though differing somewhat in their  
opinions of the causes of business de-  
pression.

The views of such men are worthy of at-  
tentive consideration. Prominent among  
the causes discussed by them were the  
enormous development, in recent years,  
of facilities for transportation and communi-  
cation, the vast increase of production and  
the effect upon labor occasioned by the use  
of machinery, the condition of the cur-  
rency, and the laws for obtaining a public  
revenue. Prof. SUMNER appeared to regard  
the simultaneous growth of railroads and  
steamship lines, and of the employment of  
machinery in the processes of manufacture,  
as having been the leading cause of what  
has been called over-production, and of glut-  
ting the markets of the world with commodi-  
ties in excess of the demands of consumers.  
He finds an immediate result of this in a  
checking of the operations of production  
and trade to allow the surplus to be worked  
off, and thinks that the use of machinery  
has the effect at first of throwing laborers  
out of employment. It strikes us that here  
is an obvious confusion of causes and ef-  
fects. We take it that the development  
of facilities for production and for the ex-  
change of products was the result  
of the multiplying wants of man, and of an  
application of his intelligence and energy  
to supplying them, and that without the in-  
tervention of extraneous causes and inci-  
dental derangements the demand and the  
means of meeting it would keep even pace  
with each other. Nor can we believe that  
in the normal progress of these operations  
it would be possible at any time to over-  
whelm the people of the earth with an em-  
barrassing abundance, or that distress and  
want could be the result. Neither do we  
believe it can be shown that the introduc-  
tion and use of machinery to multiply and  
cheapen the products of labor have resulted,  
either at first or in the long run, in the em-  
ployment of fewer hands or the payment of  
lower wages, measured by what they will  
buy. No doubt, with the increased volume  
and momentum of industrial and commer-

cial processes, the effect of any disturbing  
cause would be intensified, but it is this  
very disturbing cause that we are seeking,  
and it is not explained by showing the con-  
ditions that aggravate its effects.

Mr. WHITE thought that speculation in  
railroad enterprises and in real estate had  
much to do with the panic and the subse-  
quent depression, but this is a secondary  
and incidental cause, and itself the effect of  
the primary causes for which we are seek-  
ing. Under a normal and natural develop-  
ment, where supply was stimulated by legiti-  
mate and actual demand, this speculative  
overdoing would not happen. We wish to  
know what has interfered with the normal  
working of laws and principles, and the  
Chicago journalist merely shows that they  
have been interfered with. And he takes  
the absurd position that the tremendous  
disturbance of a destructive civil war,  
which sunk millions of dollars in capital—  
for it could sink it in nothing else—and  
piled up a vast burden of debt, adding a  
heavy and permanent increase to taxation,  
and such a terrible derangement as the in-  
troduction of a paper currency that depre-  
ciated to 35 cents on the dollar, and surged  
for years from that point toward par with  
the money of the world, have had little or  
nothing to do with the consequences that  
followed. Probably no other man with  
any pretension to an understanding  
of the case shares in his opinion. To most  
men it is "sufficiently obvious" that in these  
very circumstances it is to be found  
the deranging influence that has broken in  
upon the current of our commercial and in-  
dustrial progress and brought disaster.  
Special causes in other countries have  
added their effect, but we do not believe  
that any world-wide movement, such as the  
progress of civilization, as indicated in in-  
creased production by machinery and skill,  
and the rapid and easy interchange of com-  
modities, is to be credited with any but be-  
neficient results, even of a temporary char-  
acter.

But whatever may be thought of the  
speculations of these men regarding the  
causes of the present condition of things,  
there is little doubt of the soundness of  
their conclusion. The true principle in  
regard to industrial and commercial inter-  
ests, after all, the *laissez-faire* principle;  
that is, *laissez-faire* on the part of the Gov-  
ernment, and, where it has interfered, to  
withdraw that interference as speedily as  
practicable without sacrificing vested inter-  
ests. Government notes as a forced legal  
tender are an interference; a tariff laid  
with a view to regulating or affecting in-  
dustry is an interference; franchises and  
powers granted to corporations without  
due provision for guarding the interests of  
the public may prove an interference. To  
secure, so far as possible, the free and un-  
disturbed operation of natural principles  
and laws is the safest policy and that  
fraught with the smallest chance of dis-  
aster.

THE DOWNFALL OF THE KHEDIVÉ.  
Late cable dispatches from Egypt are  
to the effect that the Khédive has accepted a  
proposition whereby NUBAR Pasha becomes  
President of the Council and Mr. RIVERS  
Wilson Minister of Finance. The Khédive  
and his family are to restore all their lands  
to the State, and a comprehensive scheme  
for the reform of administration, including  
large retrenchments in the civil list, are to  
be decreed.

The Oriental Prince who has thus been  
dispossessed of the reins of Egyptian ad-  
ministration which he has held so long is  
the most striking individuality in the mod-  
ern history of that country. Born at Cairo  
in 1830, he inherited all the inexhaustible  
energy of his grandfather MEHEMET, with-  
out the sterner qualities of his father ISRA-  
HAM. An excellent European education com-  
bined with real ability, soon made him the  
most prominent figure in Egyptian society,  
and quickly excited the jealousy of ABBAS  
Pasha, who had then recently succeeded to  
the Viceroyalty. He became especially ob-  
noxious to that indolent but vicious bigot,  
who accordingly endeavored to crush him  
by fabricating against him a charge of  
murder, which failed. On the accession of  
SAID Pasha in 1854, ISMAIL was sent to  
Paris and to Rome on special missions, and  
afterward acted as Regent during his un-  
cle's pilgrimage to Mecca, in 1861, and his  
visit to Europe, later in the same year.  
SAID died Jan. 18, 1863, and the destinies  
of Egypt passed into the hands of the Prince  
who has since so enormously increased  
both her trade and her debt. On the mor-  
row of his accession he promised an im-  
proved and liberalized administration and  
the energetic promotion of the national in-  
terests of the country, in which particulars  
he failed utterly to keep his word. Indefatig-  
able energy, considerable administrative  
ability, and the reputation of being the  
wealthiest Prince living, did not prevent  
him piling up a debt which now smothers  
his country's credit. His zeal for fame  
rather than for actual material progress  
carried him further and faster than the re-  
sources of the country could profitably  
bear. Parks were laid out, waste places  
were made to bloom, canals and railroads  
and telegraph lines were built, and these  
expenditures supplemented by the demands  
made upon the Khédive by the Turkish  
authorities, and the large disbursements  
for the Suez Canal, gradually swelled the  
small debt legacy left by SAID into its present  
bloated proportions.

Active as has been the Khédive, appar-  
ently, in internal improvements, his life has  
been really that of a modern SARDANAPALUS.  
If he spent money on public parks and  
waste places, it was to make his capital  
attractive and bring rich Americans and  
toadying Englishmen to do him homage.  
He wasted in idle display and profligate  
extravagance the resources of his country.  
His only conception of finance was to  
go to the Jews whenever he wanted  
money and pay them whatever interest they  
insisted upon. He built a grand opera-  
house and brought out new operas, a single  
one of which cost him \$100,000. He saw  
a handsome woman in the market place  
and bought her for \$45,000, thus showing  
his contempt of the law forbidding a traffic  
in slaves. Only a thin veneer of civiliza-  
tion hid the craft and cruelty of an Oriental  
despotism. Many mistresses call him  
master; his home was in several palaces.  
Some of these palaces were often the scene  
of unlicensed mirth and mischief. Dinners  
and concerts were numerous to which  
foreign ladies only were invited. Italian  
opera singers and ballets from France and

England jostled the eunuchs and the slaves  
as they hurried through the halls to his  
receptions. His crowning act of infamy  
was during the late war. Disregarding his  
professed civilization and the proper atti-  
tude of neutrals, he dragged his unfortunate  
subjects into war, and sent his soldiers  
from the tropics of Africa to perish miser-  
ably in the frosts and snows of Bulgaria.  
Professedly the richest man in the world,  
the personal owner of a great part of his  
own dominions, he was a deception in this  
as in all other things. The report of the  
first commission sent out by England in  
1875 showed him to be a poor man pos-  
sessed of a large but very heavily incum-  
bered estate. He then owned 350,000  
acres of good land and 100,000 acres of  
poor land, or about one-tenth the cultivated  
soil of Egypt, yielding to him over two mil-  
lion dollars a year—a very noble estate if it  
were only clear. But the Khédive then  
owed \$25,000,000 on this estate at 10  
per cent. per annum, besides a floating debt  
at enormous interest, and was therefore a  
loser on his whole property. The Suez  
Canal, from which so much was expected,  
proved to be a dreadful tax on the country.  
As the Khédive's embarrassments increased  
he was compelled to sell his shares in the  
canal for ready money. Seventy-five years  
hence the canal and all its works lapse to  
the Egyptian Government, but meanwhile  
its existence directly diminishes Egyptian  
revenues. The railways and the ports suf-  
fer heavily by the loss of the overland trade;  
and the money paid for canal dues goes to  
the shareholders who are living in Europe.  
Of the \$87,500,000 the Khédive sunk in  
this canal, he has only received back \$20,-  
000,000 from England. But what was  
four million pounds to so reckless and ex-  
travagant a Prince? He was soon not only  
rid of the money but deeper in debt than  
ever.

This man is dethroned, and NUBAR Pasha  
reigns, in fact if not in name. This return  
to power of a Minister who was removed  
three years ago because he insisted too  
strongly upon reforms will be welcome  
news to all who are interested in the wel-  
fare of Egypt. He is a Christian, and so,  
of course, not acceptable to the old Turk-  
ish party; he is a reformer, and so not ac-  
ceptable to the Viceroy's party; but he  
cares for neither, and although an Arme-  
nian by origin, he is Western in all his  
ideas, and versed in European politics and  
modern finances. In this latter particular,  
however, he will be ably assisted by Mr.  
WILSON, who was some time Controller-  
General of the National Debt Department  
of Great Britain. But in NUBAR Pasha's  
advancement we see British intrigues and  
a lessening of the moral objection to the  
policy of England's annexing Egypt.

The old saying that everything finds its use  
somewhere is amply borne out in the case of  
Russia's Eastern progress, which one may still  
hear related at times, with infinite glee, by some veteran of  
the Turkistan Army. While Bokhara was an in-  
dependent Principality under the terrible NAKHAILAH  
Khan, a small party of Russian engineer officers  
from the settlements on the Syr-Daria ventured into  
the heart of the desert in the hope of surveying a po-  
tential route for a railway, and in the process of  
it before they could be interrupted. This  
hope, however, was speedily disappointed by the ap-  
pearance of an overwhelming force of Bokhariote  
horsemen, who advanced with the evident intention  
of attacking them. The Russian leader, seeing his  
case desperate, boldly assumed the character of a  
special envoy from the Czar to the Khan, and on pre-  
text of a triumphal entry into the capital,  
escorted by the very man who had been about  
to take his life. Admitted to an audience, he coolly  
presented his own gold watch and silver-handled  
knife to the savage despot, as the Czar's gifts to his  
"royal brother," and everything was proceeding  
with the utmost smoothness, when the Amer-  
ican upstart, by suddenly observing that the  
character made in the hope of surveying a po-  
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## THE CONTEST OF PARTIES.

A CONFERENCE OF REPUBLICANS.  
INVITATION TO MEMBERS OF THE PARTY OF  
ALL SHADES OF OPINION TO MEET AT  
SARATOGA ON THURSDAY—THE OBJECTS  
OF THE CONFERENCE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.  
SARATOGA, Aug. 27.—A meeting of Republicans will be held at the United States Hotel, in this city, on Thursday morning, to which members of the party are looking forward with some interest. The call for this meeting was issued by Mr. A. B. Cornell, and though it was marked confidential to each person addressed, the invitations were extended to so many, and with so little regard for shades of party feeling, that it seemed almost inevitable that the fact should become generally known, as it has to-day, that such a meeting was to be held. The meeting will be in the nature of a conference, and there is every probability that there will be a full consideration of several important questions. Invitations have been sent to such men as Mr. Joseph H. Chase, Thurlow Weed, Gen. A. E. Merritt, ex-Gov. Edwin D. Morgan, Gen. Lloyd Aspinwall, Mr. Jackson S. Schulz, Hon. Elliot C. Cowdin, and Mr. Sheridan Shook, in New-York City, and to many other gentlemen in various other parts of the State, representing different shades of Republican opinion. So far as ascertained the call has been well received, and there is every prospect of a large attendance of representatives of Republicans. It is believed among Republicans who are here that Senator Conkling will attend the conference. The impression prevails that the event will be one of great importance at the present juncture, and it is hoped that it will result in greatly stimulating the party and lead to united and harmonious action.

## BUTLER'S RAID ON MASSACHUSETTS.

TWO MORE LETTERS TO THE PUBLIC—HE HAS NEVER SEEN THE SO-CALLED SHERMAN LETTER—THE CHARGE OF OWNING BONDS—PAINFUL POSITION OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.  
BOSTON, Aug. 27.—Butler is wonderfully busy. The first thing this morning he sent out two letters to the evening papers on topics of interest beyond the limits of the State. He looked him up again for a while in his inner office, to work on his letter accepting his own invitation to work on the run for Governor. He held sundry little receptions for the motley crowd in his public office, and had whispered conferences with many callers. One of his letters published this afternoon is in answer to the statement in a New-York paper that he (Butler) had told a personal friend that the original of the alleged Sherman letter had been obtained and is now in the possession of the Potter Committee; that it will be put in evidence in October, that he has seen it, and that there is no doubt of its genuineness. To this statement Butler replies: "There is not one word of truth in it; I have never seen the original of the Sherman letter. I never told a personal friend or enemy that it had been obtained, that it was genuine. So far from that, I do not believe in its present existence if it ever had any." The other letter published by Butler embraces an open letter to Gen. Scott, Register of the Treasury, concerning his ownership of bonds. The letter is as follows:

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SCRANTON, Penn., Aug. 27.—At the convention of the Sixth Legislative District, comprising the City of Scranton, held here to-day, J. E. Barrett, city editor of the Republican, was nominated by acclamation for the Pennsylvania Legislature, and T. D. Lewis, the other candidate, was nominated for the second ballot. The name of Barrett was presented by Harold Leach, a young member of the Bar, and the nomination by acclamation was made on motion of E. N. Willard, also a lawyer, who was appointed a Registrar in Bankruptcy by President Lincoln. The Seventh Legislative District Convention was also held here to-day, and nominated Major Ackley. The Republicans are confident of carrying both districts.

## THE TENNESSEE GREENBACKERS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.  
NASHVILLE, Aug. 27.—The National Greenback State Convention will meet in the House of Representatives at 10 o'clock Thursday morning. A number of delegates have already arrived, and the indications are that

## THE LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

## THE BOSNIAN STRUGGLE FOR LIFE.

REPORTED REFUSE OF THE AUSTRIANS TO  
AT DOBOY—PHILIPPOVICH SERIOUSLY  
THREATENED AT SERAJEVO—EMBARRASSED  
STATEMENTS OF THE AUSTRIAN MINISTRY.

LONDON, Aug. 27.—Dispatches from Vienna say: The complexity of the Serbians in the Bosnian insurrection is again asserted from various quarters. It is said that the rebels, retreating from Serajevo, went toward the Serbian frontier, and will cross it if closely pressed. It is also stated that prisoners were captured at Doboy wearing the uniform of the Serbian Militia. The insurgents about Doboy have been largely reinforced. They have vigorously attacked Doboy several times, endeavoring to turn Gen. Szapary's positions and destroy his communications from arriving reinforcements. A Vienna dispatch says: According to Vienna advices Gen. Szapary repulsed all attacks, but Reuter's dispatch from Belgrade, dated the 26th inst., states that the insurgents declare that Gen. Szapary has withdrawn from Doboy to the left bank of the Bosna, and destroyed the bridges. They also claim that Gen. Philippovich's army, at Serajevo, is seriously threatened on both flanks. Reinforcements are being sent from the frontier. The insurgents are increasing in every direction.



acids and a new reference ordered. It seems that girl named Lizzie Baker was a very important witness in Mrs. Agor's favor. The witness was examined, cross-examined, and re-examined. At another hearing she was recalled by the plaintiff and sworn. She was then questioned concerning a written statement of hers in which she retracted her testimony as previously given. The Referee, strangely enough, refused to allow her to be examined on the point, holding that she had become the plaintiff's witness, and she could not, therefore, be impeached.

by him. This ruling was reversed by Judge Danbolt who yesterday ordered a rehearing of the case.

**LOCAL BUSINESS TROUBLES.**  
A LARGE NUMBER OF PERSONS RUNNING  
THE BANKRUPT COURT.  
Lissack H. Simpson, importer, at No. 29 Broad-  
way, is a bankrupt, with liabilities of \$12,500 and  
nominal assets.

T. Eugene Smith has gone into bankruptcy before Register Hatchery with a net worth of \$100,000.

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy has been filed by J. N. Pattison, who has liabilities of \$18,000 and nominal assets.

Charles T. Wells, late proprietor of the Bessett House, at Birmingham, Conn., is in bankruptcy before Register Ketchum, with liabilities of \$16,000 and no assets.

Abraham Barnett and Patrick E. Kenney composing the firm of Barnett & Kenney, furniture dealers, of No. 386 Third-avenue, made an assignment to Daniel Powers yesterday.

Gerhard Schneider has gone into voluntary

bankruptcy, before Register Allen. His liabilities amount to \$47,188, and his assets are nominal. The

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed by Charles E. Hayden, broker, at No. 47 Wilm-street, who has liabilities to the amount of \$35,000 and nominal assets. The principal creditors are F. Skinner & Co., \$14,485; estate of J. A. V. Williams, \$10,684; Cyrus W. Williams, \$5,092; Edward F. Kendall, chemist, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy before Register Dwight to get rid of debts to the amount of \$92,000. Among the creditors are the Manhattan Life Insurance Company, \$20,000; J. B. Van Dine, \$10,000; all secured; Christopher G. Wemple, \$1,602. He has no assets.

Francis Lehnerer has gone into voluntary bankruptcy, before Register Little, having liabilities to the amount of \$61,000 and nominal assets. The Williamsburg Savings Bank, \$14,500, secured; William Hoegs, \$13,482, partly secured; Will-iam H. Smith, \$7,000; C. J. Dodge, \$5,000; John Bush, \$6,050, secured; Y. Rubling, \$8,384. There are assets of real estate in Brooklyn to cover

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed before Register Allen yesterday by J. T. Allen.

Before Register Allen, yesterday by J. T. Allen & Co., furniture-dealers, at No. 211 Canal-street. The firm's liabilities amount to \$58,000, and the individual debts of Frederick Mohr are \$9,689. The assets are valued at \$29,500, which includes machinery, &c., \$5,500; debts due, \$7,200; stock \$15,000.

Franklin W. Brooks, broker, at No. 34 Broadway, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy.

**Forrest Fitch.** His liabilities amount to \$60,000, and he has no assets. The principal creditors are: First National Bank, \$10,000; Merchants' National Bank, \$10,000; J. A. Crosswell, \$5,500; Charles A. & Co., \$6,000; J. S. Patterson, \$1,600; Paul D. & Co., \$1,500; L. Jeffries, \$5,000; Mabel B. Carpenter, \$2,500.

**Youngs, Smith & Co.,** importers of sugars, at No. 78 South-street, have gone into voluntary bankruptcy before Register Dayton, having liabilities to various parties of about \$12,000, and no assets. In acceptances of Rhonda, Benjamin & Co. and Polledo, Rhonda & Co. of Matanzas. The principal creditors are: J. W. Smith, \$2,000; J. W. Smith, \$2,237.37; estate of Mrs. G. C. Smith, \$6,238; Edward T. Hawkins, \$3,557; estate of Robert E. Smith, \$1,965.

**Frank Williams,** merchandise broker, at No. 112 Front-street, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy before Register Fitch, having liabilities to the amount of \$12,000, and no assets. The principal creditors are: J. W. Smith, \$2,000; J. W. Smith, \$2,237.37; Merchants' National Bank, \$5,000; Standard Bank & Co., \$15,000; Casco National Bank of Portland, \$1,000; J. W. Smith, \$2,237.37; J. W. Smith, \$2,237.37; J. W. Smith, \$2,237.37. The greater part of his indebtedness was contracted as partner in the firm of Winthrop G. Ray & Co.

A voluntary petition in bankruptcy has been filed by Susan Sullivan, of No. 56 East Eighty-third

street, who has liabilities amounting to \$164,000, of which \$139,620 are secured by bond and mortgage. He also responds to the summons of his creditors partly with his husband, John Sullivan, the builder who failed two years ago. Among the creditors are: Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, \$80,000; Emanuel Einstein, \$32,500; Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, \$25,000; Thomas Ross, \$2,572; Charles Hausz, \$2,000.

Nathaniel Burchell, builder, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy, before Register Dwight. His liabilities amount to \$288,000, of which \$254,000 are secured by bonds and mortgages. The assets include sets. Among the secured creditors are the New York Life Insurance Company, \$85,000; Mutual Life Insurance Company, \$50,000; American Surety Insurance Company, \$27,000; John P. Marshall, \$18,500; Bank for Savings, \$9,000; Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank, \$8,000; American National Bank, \$7,500; Kings Bank, \$16,000; Andrew Kish, \$7,500; A. L. La Page, \$22,500; Solomon Marx, \$4,500; Eastern

\$4,750. The principal unsecured creditors are Nathan Hahn, \$11,095; Francis J. Hoops, \$6,770

Joseph Stinner, tea merchant, made an assignment yesterday to Jacques H. Hertz for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Stinner carries on 13 stores of various kinds in the city and suburbs, the principal one being located at the corner of Washington and Chancery streets, and has been in business for over 25 years. He was in the real estate pool with Philip H. Hertz, who was his partner in the firm of Hertz and Stinner, which purchased the Dyckman property, and he lost \$135,000 by the speculation. Real estate has been the main asset of the firm, and the balance of the liabilities on this account are about \$200,000. The unsecured liabilities are about \$70,000 in addition. The assets are not known, but consist of the real estate and the stock in the various stores of the firm.

fixtures of the stores. Mr. Stiner hopes to effect a favorable settlement with the creditors, and in the

George W. Beach, railroad contractor, at No. 40 Broadway, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy, before Register Little, having liabilities amounting to \$170,000, of which \$131,000 are secured by mortgages on real estate. The principal secured creditors are the Lochiel Rolling Mill Company, \$35,547; Vose, Dinsmore & Co., \$33,548; American National Bank, \$16,900; J. H. Baird, \$8,666; Jackson Bank of Providence, \$5,000; Rhode Island National Bank, \$4,076; A. B. Smith, \$3,000; and Merchants' Trust Co., \$2,000. George L. Clark, \$2,000; Joseph P. Martin, \$1,000. The principal unsecured creditors are: Easton & Westcott, \$2,839; Providence Splice Company, \$1,454; W. H. Morgan, \$2,750; William Ward, \$2,000; and John C. Brown, \$1,000. The assets consist of a claim for \$147,000 against the New Jersey Midland Railroad Company for construction of a branch line from its station at Cranford to Newark and Rockaway Railroad Company for non-fault

ment of contract; notes, &c., \$11,975, and 1,341 shares of stock in several asphaltum companies.

**A MUSICAL BANKRUPT.**  
J. N. Pattison, the well-known pianist, filed his voluntary petition in bankruptcy yesterday, asking to be declared a bankrupt and released from all his obligations. His schedule shows the following as his total assets—cash on hand, \$4 25; five suits of clothes, one key-board, and claims against seven persons for professional services, unpaid, to the amount of about \$3,000. The largest of these is for \$2,179 72, the debtor being Darius B. Mason.

gam, of this City. Mr. Pattison's liabilities aggregate about \$8,000, his largest creditor being

**AN EXPRESS WAGON IN A TRAP.**  
The passage of vehicles on Nassau-street, between the Beaman-street and Printing-house squares, was blocked for a short time yesterday afternoon, by the catching, in a very peculiar trap, of a loaded express wagon. Some large iron girders had been piled on Nassau-street in front of the new building which is being erected on the corner of Beaman, and roads had been left for wagons to get by in single file. The express wagon, which was loaded with iron rods, was caught in the trap, and the driver, who was unable to get it out, was forced to leave it there. The rods were piled up in front of the wagon, and the driver was unable to get it out. The rods were piled up in front of the wagon, and the driver was unable to get it out. The rods were piled up in front of the wagon, and the driver was unable to get it out.

the other, and an express wagon of unusual width entered at the largest end, but got stuck firmly at

**EAST LIVES OF BROOKLYN BURLGARS.**  
The residence of Mr. C. W. Kitchan, No. 374 Jay-street, which was broken into and ransacked by burglars on Sunday night, was yesterday discovered to have again been visited by the same party. The burglars entered the place at midnight and for some time remained in the room, where they visited Police Headquarters yesterday and secured the services of a detective. The burglars then returned to the place and were observed by the Police Commissioner. The Police Commissioner is now endeavoring to ascertain the cause of the failure of the Police of the East to detect the burglars.

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## THE EXCISE DEPARTMENT.

## LICENSED AND UNLICENSED DEALERS.

SOME STATISTICS FROM OFFICIAL RECORDS—

LICENSES ISSUED AND FEES RECEIVED—

THE NUMBER OF UNLICENSED SALOONS—

A LARGE NUMBER HOLDING INTERNAL

REVENUE LICENSES, BUT NONE FROM

THE EXCISE BOARD.

When the present, Excise Commissioners

went into office, on Jan. 26, 1878, they found

the business of their office greatly complicated by

the fact that the business of the department

had been conducted, and to clear up matters

themselves until Feb. 4, with the issuing of licenses

for money which had been previously paid in, and

for which applicants had receipts. Then they went

on until May 1 granting licenses for a whole year

from the date of application. It does not seem easy

to arrive at a definite knowledge of the exact

number of licenses issued during this time, but Com-

missioner Morrison states them approximately as fol-

lows:

First class, grade No. 1—Hotels, at \$250 each. . . . .

First class, grade No. 2—Hotels, at \$100 each. . . . .

First class, grade No. 3—Hotels, at \$75 each. . . . .

Second class—Malt liquors alone, at \$50 each. . . . .

Third class—Wholesale liquor, at \$30 each. . . . .

On the last of May, at which time, as nearly as

Mr. Morrison can now arrive at the figures, 6,500

licenses issued in New York, of which 4,000 were

for retail liquor and beer business combined, 2,000

for beer saloons, and 500 covered all the others.

Since that date a great many more licenses have been

issued, a few more than 100,000 upon application,

and the record since May 1 shows:

No. Licenses. Receipts.

First class, grade No. 1. . . . . 3,420 \$2,610

First class, grade No. 2. . . . . 1,213 120,975

First class, grade No. 3. . . . . 1,213 68,480

Second class—Malt liquors alone. . . . . 850

Third class—Wholesale liquor. . . . . 4,000

Total. . . . . 6,300 \$214,235

But these figures by no means represent the num-

ber of licensed places in the City. Many hold

licenses to expire between now and Jan. 1, 1879, and

the Commissioners deem that the most accurate es-

timate of the number of places contributing to the

City's revenue is the number of places which are

on the stand, at 8,000. They are well aware, how-

ever, that many places in the City are selling liquors

and beer without license, and are at present gra-

tifying definite data from their inspectors concerning

all such places, with a view to compulsory proceed-

ings should the dealers continue to refuse to comply

with the law. The number of saloons in the City

is estimated by the Police Department, and the re-

ports received from them up to date present the fol-

lowing as the numbers of unlicensed saloons in the

several districts:

District. Number. District. Number.

I. . . . . 94 XVII. . . . . 22

II. . . . . 19 XVIII. . . . . 45

III. . . . . 39 XIX. . . . . 101

IV. . . . . 9 XX. . . . . 22

V. . . . . 10 XXI. . . . . 26

VI. . . . . 74 XXII. . . . . 30

VII. . . . . 10 XXIII. . . . . 30

VIII. . . . . 39 XXIV. . . . . 30

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## THE VAN ZANDT ARSON CASE.

## EXAMINATION BEFORE A STATEN ISLAND

MAGISTRATE—THE ACCUSED DISCHARGED.

The examination in the case of William T.

Van Zandt, who was accused by his former clerk,

William H. Howard, of burning a house at the

junction of Castleton and Bard avenues, Castleton,

Staten Island, for the purpose of defrauding the

Manufacturers' Fire and Marine Insurance Company

of Hartford, was held yesterday at the office of

Justice Johnson, of Fort Richmond, in the City of

New York, and was attended by the District At-

torney General, and the District Attorney of

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## SAILORS CRUELY BEATEN,

## ONE JUMPS OVERBOARD TO ESCAPE

BEING KILLED.

HE IS RESCUED BY A PASSING TUG-BOAT—

AND HIS COMPANIONS ON BOARD

SAULTED BY THE FIRST AND SECOND

MATES—THE FIRST MATE ARRESTED.

The boat was seen at about 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning,

when the tugboat William M. Smith, Capt. Robert E.

Smith, of the New York and Albany Towing and

Transportation Line, was cruising in the Bay, and

the attention of the crew was attracted by the sight of

a man floating in the water between Bedloe's and

Governor's Islands. Capt. Eldridge at once head-

ed the boat for the drowning man, and after

considerable trouble succeeded in rescuing him.

The man found to be a sailor, and was badly

injured, and was taken to the hospital, where he

died. The man was identified as being a sailor

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## THE GREAT VISITATION TO HOWL AT

## COOPER INSTITUTE—BLAIR-CONNOLLY

REJOICING.

The General Committee of the Blair-Connelly

visiting the National Labor Party of this

City met last evening in the Germania Assembly

Room. Representatives of the organization in the

various Assembly districts reported that the district

organizations are growing stronger every day, and

that the majority of them presented no statistical

evidence of the truth of their assertions. George Blair,

the permanent Chairman of the committee, was

present, and made a report on the progress of the



































## REPUBLICAN STATE POLICY.

## THE CONFERENCE AT SARATOGA.

EVERY COUNTY REPRESENTED—A GENERAL EXPRESSION IN FAVOR OF A FULL STATE CONVENTION—RESOLUTIONS TO THAT EFFECT ADOPTED—LETTERS FROM SENATORS CONKING, E. D. MORGAN, AND OTHERS—A VIGOROUS AND UNITED CAMPAIGN TO BE MADE.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SARATOGA, Aug. 29.—The Republican conference met at 11 o'clock this morning in the ball-room of the United States Hotel. The attendance numbered about 100, and every county in the State was represented. Among those present, in addition to the list published in to-day's TIMES, were Henry R. Pierson, of Albany; Senator Rockwell, of Warren; ex-Congressman Calvin T. Hubbard, Isaac H. Bailey, Prof. George W. Clark, ex-Alderman Lent, ex-Assemblyman James A. Richmond, Horace Bennett, Judge Pinekey, Michael Cregan, and Col. S. V. R. Cruger, of New-York; Judge Comstock, of Oneida; W. A. Cobb, of Niagara; Gen. Knapp, of Cayuga; Mr. Hart of Greene County; J. N. Matthews and George W. Balz, of Buffalo; Sidney Cooper, of Jefferson; Dr. James Watt and O. B. Leach, of Kings; Stephen B. French, of Suffolk; W. D. Weidman, of Schoharie; H. B. Martin, of Chenango; H. S. Lucas, of Ontario; George W. Case, of Oswego; Neil Gilmour, State Superintendent of Instruction; Mr. Kisselburgh, of Troy; ex-Speaker Younglove, of Cohoes; ex-Canal Commissioner Barclay and ex-Senator Brook, of Washington; Lorin Palmer, of Brooklyn, and C. S. Symonds, of Utica.

Mr. A. B. Cornell called the conference to order, and spoke briefly, as follows:

GENTLEMEN: Coming out of the Adirondacks last week, where I have been spending a month's time beyond the influence of business or politics, almost the first thing which attracted my attention was the report of the conference held at this place, upon the invitation of my friends, Mr. Elliot C. Cowdin and Senator Pierson. The resolutions, as published, met my approval, for that it made me regret that I could not have been included within the terms of invitation, and upon reflection it seemed to me very many earnest Republicans were debarr'd from eligibility as members of that conference by the conditions named in the call. As it was too late for me to make an amendment to Mr. Cowdin's programme, it seemed to me it would be a good thing to invite some of the Republicans who were not here last week to confer together, and see what they could do to promote Republican success. It was my impression that Mr. Cowdin planted his foundations too shallow and feared them too narrow to successfully complete the work which was proposed by his conference. To carry the State of New-York to the polls, as we know by sad experience, the earnest and helpful co-operation of every Republican in it. Instead of narrowing the tests for Republicanism to the gains of the Administration, they should be widened and opened, so as to include every Republican who has voted the Republican ticket, and who would be glad to co-operate to do so this Fall. Your response to my invitation is most gratefully appreciated, and I trust that our deliberations may contribute to the welfare and prosperity of the Republic. In order that we may proceed with some degree of order, I will take the liberty of proposing that John Townsend, of New-York, shall act as our Chairman.

Mr. Townsend, on taking the chair, said that the proximity of the conference to the bracing air of the Adirondacks, whence his friend Cornell had come, would, he hoped, have a beneficial effect upon their deliberations. He trusted that their proceedings would be harmonious, with only one object in view, and that the welfare and success of the Republic. We did not live in an age of miracles, and it would be much too miraculous to suppose that a great party of thinking men like that which composed the Republican Party could exist without differences of opinion among its members. This was to be expected, and was not to be deplored. The only desirable thing, these honest differences on minor points should be received in a spirit of toleration and not be made the occasion of splits and divisions in the party. He had confidence that they would be so received, and that the party would continue to act in harmony.

Charles Smith, of Albany, was then appointed Secretary, and read several letters that had been received in answer to invitations to be present. The first was from Judge James, of St. Lawrence County, the purport of which was published in THE TIMES this morning. The next was from John M. Francis, of the Troy Times, who simply regretted his inability to attend. This was to be expected, and was not to be deplored. The next letter of any importance was from ex-Senator E. D. Morgan, and was as follows:

NEW-YORK, Aug. 28, 1878.

Hon. A. B. Cornell, Saratoga Springs:

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Resolved, That the Republicans of the State of New-York meet this Fall in a convention, which shall be as full and free as the usages of the party will permit [Applause].

He believed in Republican government; he did not like to see a representation of the people curtailed or restricted in any way. He believed in a free interchange of views and good nature. [Applause.] He believed if a full, fair, and free convention of the party was called, it would be harmonious. He would give to every delegate in such a convention full liberty to say just what he pleased. Looking over the past of the Republican Party, he rejoiced that he was a member of it, and if it was to be successful in the future, as it had been in the past, it would be the result of harmony.

Free discussion. For himself, he was a Conkling Republican, and if he had the power he would gladly place Senator Conkling in the Presidential chair. [Great applause.] But Republicans, whether Conkling or anti-Conkling, had nothing to fear from free discussion. They belonged to the party of freedom and intelligence. It was the only party in this country that commanded the confidence of intelligent people. He believed it would do the party good to hold a full convention and compare notes and consult together as to the best means of insuring its success at the coming election.

Judge Yates, of Schoenectady, concurred in the remarks of Mr. Pierson, and believed the best interests of the party would be promoted by a full convention.

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Judge Hubbard said he did not think the letter of Judge James, of St. Lawrence, correctly expressed the opinion of Republicans in that county; nor did he understand the Judge as professing to express anybody else's opinion than his own.

Dr. Watt, of Brooklyn, believed that the sentiment of the Republicans of Kings County was generally in favor of a convention. Mr. Bull said the same thing of the Republicans of Erie County, and Prof. Clark, of New-York, also favored a convention.

A resolution was then adopted for the appointment by the Chair of a committee to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiment of the conference as expressed by the various speakers. After a few minutes' absence the committee returned, and their Chairman, ex-Senator Pierson, presented the following resolutions:

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given by the undersigned Editors  
of Bankruptcy in said district,  
under authority of the court, to  
establish a uniform system of bank-  
ruptcy notices under seal of said  
court, and to issue such notices under  
seal and certificate thereof from all his  
provable under said act, and the  
statute of and the Revised Statutes of  
the United States, entitled "An Act  
entitled 'Bankruptcy' and Bank-  
ruptcy," of the 19th March, 1878,  
in the Wilder Allen, Register in Bankruptcy,  
in the City of New-York; In  
testimony whereof, the said Editors  
have signed their names, and have  
affixed their seals, and have given the  
power of the said seal to the said  
Editors, Clerk of the Court.  
**GEORGE P. BETTIE,**  
Clerk of the Court.

ANDERHOVEN, bankrupt.—Dis-

1974, a warrant of Bankruptcy  
District Court of the United States  
New-Jersey, against the estate of  
Paterson, in the County of Passaic,  
who was adjudged a bankrupt on  
the 10th of August, 1974, and  
belonging to such bankrupt to  
the transfer of any property by  
law, and that a meeting of the  
trustee to prove their debts and to  
the 10th of August, 1974, and  
to be held at Paterson, N. J.,  
National Bank Building, before  
Register in Bankruptcy for said  
of September, A. D. 1978, at  
B. L. HUTCHINSON.

JUAN C. DE MIER, bankrupt.—  
that a petition has been filed in

Under the Revised Statutes of the Bankruptcy," for a discharge and all his debts and other claims paid, and that the 12th day of September P. M., at the office of James Beekman, No. 7 Beekman-st., New York, is assigned for the hearing of the petition of the said James Beekman, as assignee for all creditors who have proved their claims, and all persons in interest, may attend, and they have, with the prayer of the petition, been granted.—Dated New-York, August 1878.

of New-York.—In the matter of  
and GILBERT A. MANN, bank-

said court by Daniel L. Patton of the City of New-York, in said bankrupt under the Revised Statutes, entitled "Bankruptcy," for a release thereof from all their debts payable under said Revised Statutes, of September, 1878, at 12 o'clock John Fitch, Register in Bankruptcy in the City of New-York, is of the same, when and where proved their debts, and other persons, and show cause, if any they

7.—IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
for the Southern District of New

MR. NELSON CLEMENTS, bankrupt, given that a petition has been filed by Nelson Clements, of the City of New York, duly declared a bankrupt under the United States, entitled to discharge and certificate thereof, and other claims provable under said act, that the 8th day of September, 1900, at the office of Mr. John W. Lafferty, No. 4 Warren-street, in the City of New York, assigned for the hearing of the claims of all creditors who have proved

GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

JOHN H. COOKE, District of New York, in and for the Southern District of New York, vs. JOSEPH H. COOKE, bankrupt. That a petition has been filed in said district, duly verified by the sworn statements of the United States Marshal, for a discharge and certificate of discharge, and that the sixth day of September, 1906, at the office of the United States Marshal, in New York City, New York, at ten o'clock P. M., at the office of Mr. J. H. COOKE, Bankrupt, No. 7 Bankers Building, New York City, New York, is assigned for the hearing of the petition, and where all creditors who

9th day of Aug., 1878.  
GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

**COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**  
of New-Jersey.—In the matter  
of **W. S. BELVILLE**, bankrupt.—The said bankrupt  
court for a discharge from his  
court notice is hereby given to  
prove their debts, and other pay-  
ment before the said court, at the  
rooms, in the City of Trenton, in  
nineteenth day of September, A. D.  
1881, and show cause, if any they  
should not be granted to the said  
**W. S. BELVILLE**, Clerk.

and hereby gives notice of his appointment to the

and Court of New York, which  
been adjudged bankrupt upon  
District Court of said district.  
N. MILLER, Assignee, et al.  
782 Broadway







## THE POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

## THE KANSAS REPUBLICANS.

## J. P. ST. JOHN NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR—

## AMENDMENTS TO THE PLATFORM AS RE-

## PORTED BY THE COMMITTEE.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 30.—The following is the full ticket nominated by the Republican State Convention:

For Governor—J. P. ST. JOHN.

For Lieutenant Governor—L. H. HARRIS.

For Secretary of State—JAMES SMITH.

For Treasurer—JOHN FRANCIS.

For Auditor—J. P. BOMBARE.

For Attorney General—WILLIAM DAVIS.

For Chief Justice—A. H. HORTON.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction—ALEX. B. LEMMON.

The following were substituted for the fourth, fifth, and sixth planks of the platform reported yesterday by the committee:

Fourth—"The public credit should be sacredly maintained and all obligations of the Government honestly discharged; and we denounce the issue of an irredeemable absolute money tender scrip as a species of repudiation which would ruin the credit of the nation and the business interests of the country."

Fifth—"That experience has shown the greenback currency, the creation of the Republican Party, and under the fostering care it has been brought to a par with coin, to be admirably adapted to the wants of trade; and, to the end that the money of the country may be a paper currency, we favor a withdrawal of the national bank notes, substituting therefor a greenback currency issued directly by the Government, and we demand that it be issued in sufficient volume to fully meet the wants of business without depreciating its value, and that it be received in payment of all debts and taxes, public and private, except as otherwise specified by contract; that we are in favor of an honest greenback that shall always be worth its face in coin, and that it be issued in the largest volume that can be kept afloat at par with coin, to which end we favor the passage of a law by Congress by which the volume of greenback currency in circulation shall always equal the natural law of supply and demand."

Sixth—"That as we favor a double coin standard of values is preferable to a single standard, we are in favor of placing the coinage of gold and silver on an equality, giving to neither an advantage or preference."

## THE DAKOTA REPUBLICANS.

## JUDGE BENNETT'S ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOMINATION FOR DELEGATE—THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES—DISPUTES IN THE BLACK HILLS.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Judge Bennett, one of the United States Judges of Dakota, having accepted the Republican nomination for Delegate in Congress from that Territory, the question is presented whether, under a proper interpretation of the civil service reform rules, he should not be required to tender his resignation.

There are numerous aspirants for his place, nearly all of whom claim that they have been positively promised the first vacancy occurring in Territorial Judgeships. These candidates for judicial honors all agree that Judge Bennett is the best man for the place, and that he is entitled to it. Judge Bennett was recently quitted by the Attorney General, after due examination, of charges of malfeasance in office preferred by leading citizens and members of the Bar in the Black Hills region. His name was championed before the Department of Justice, by Hon. J. P. Kiddier, the present Delegate in Congress, who has just defended Attorney General. The places both parties in an anomalous attitude. Gov. Kiddier's friends here are chagrined over his failure to receive a re-nomination, claiming that under his political leadership and management the Territory of Dakota has twice been rescued from representation in Congress by a Democrat, and that they fear the disputes and quarrels occurring in the Territory will tend to impair Judge Bennett's chances for election.

## KEARNEY IN PHILADELPHIA.

## THE SAME OLD SPEECH REHEARSED—A COLLECTION TAKEN UP TO PAY THE COMMUNIST'S EXPENSES TO BALTIMORE.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 30.—The California labor agitator, Denis Kearney, arrived in this city this evening about 7 o'clock. He was met at the depot by a committee appointed last night, consisting of several leaders of the movement, who escorted him to Gould's Hotel, where he took supper. Only a few persons were present to welcome him either at the depot or the hotel. After supper Kearney was driven to Broad street and Montgomery avenue, where an open-air meeting was held, at which between 3,000 and 4,000 people were present. He spoke for about an hour, and his remarks were pretty much the same as those he has made at other places. He took occasion to localize his remarks by a reference to the recent election in the State of California, and the Mollie Maguire in the coal regions. The latter he characterized as one of the greatest outrages of modern days. He said that the capitalists, railroad robbers, and literary con-sumptives to break down a law-abiding organization which had no other object than its protection against the Mollie Maguire, and the oppression. At his own request a collection was taken up to defray his expenses to Baltimore, for which city he will leave to-morrow.

## THE CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN.

## Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—The Democratic Congressional Committee will to-morrow publish its broadside of figures. It will pretend to answer the review of Democratic legislation made by Senator Windom, and to show that the only economy ever practiced in Congress has been by the Democrats.

WHEELING, West Va., Aug. 30.—Col. Frank A. Burr was nominated for Congress yesterday by the Republican of the Second District.

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Aug. 30.—The Greenbackers of the Eleventh District have nominated Seth F. Crews for Congress.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Aug. 30.—The First Congressional District Democratic Convention to-day, the contest was exciting. On the thirty-ninth ballot John H. Gilchrist, of Pierce County, received a two-thirds vote, and was declared the nominee.

LAFAYETTE, Ind., Aug. 30.—The Democratic Congressional Convention of this district has passed a series of resolutions declaring Dr. Delamater, the National candidate, the unanimous choice of the convention for Congress.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Aug. 30.—The Democrats of the Ninth District to-day nominated Walter S. Brown, of Emmett, for Congress.

## KIMPTON SET AT LIBERTY.

## GOV. RICE REFUSES TO SURRENDER HIM TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA AUTHORITIES—HIS REASONS FOR NOT HONORING HAMPTON'S REQUEST.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

BOSTON, Aug. 30.—Gov. Rice, by his action to-day, proved that the rumor that he would decide to surrender Kimpton was not true. Attorney-General Train submitted his opinion in the case to the Governor yesterday afternoon, which was adverse to granting the requisition of Gov. Hampton. The Attorney-General cited numerous instances in which the discretion of the Governor has been exercised in similar cases, and warrants for the surrender of alleged fugitives from justice refused when it appeared to the satisfaction of the Executive or his advisers that the prisoner was wanted for other purposes than trial for the crime alleged in the indictment. Early this afternoon the Governor announced his decision and sent a formal notification of his refusal to Gov. Hampton, who, as Col. Train, the agent of Gov. Hampton, who has been waiting at the Revere House with At-

torney-General Youmans for the Governor's decision. The Governor enclosed a letter to Gov. Hampton, of which the following is a copy:

His Excellency Wade Hampton, Governor, Columbia, S. C.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a requisition from your Excellency, bearing date the 28th day of August, instant, requesting the rendition of one Hiram H. Kimpton, an alleged fugitive from justice. The requisition was referred to the Attorney-General of this Commonwealth, in compliance with the statute thereof, to examine and report whether the same was in due form of law, and whether upon the facts the same should be complied with; and that officer has reported to me, after a thorough examination of the law and of the facts in the case, that the practice of the Executive in this matter is not in conformity with the law, and that it is not my duty, in the exercise of a sound discretion, to adhere to the practice of my predecessors, and I therefore respectfully decline to accede to your requisition.

I have the honor to remain your Excellency's obedient servant. ALEXANDER H. RICE.

The release of Kimpton from jail in Springfield was ordered by the Governor by telegraph. Col. Train and the Attorney-General, Mr. Youmans, are in favor of the release of Kimpton from the Governor's decision, as he felt that Kimpton's movements will be closely watched.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

SPRINGFIELD, Aug. 30.—H. H. Kimpton was released from jail this afternoon, and immediately went to Boston. He still professes his innocence, and is in good spirits because of Gov. Rice's action.

## THE SEPTEMBER ELECTIONS.

## CONTESTS IN ARKANSAS, MAINE, AND VERMONT—CANDIDATES OF ALL PARTIES, AND RESULTS OF RECENT ELECTIONS.

Three State elections of some importance are to be held in September. Arkansas will elect State officers and a Legislature on Monday, Sept. 2, and the Legislature will choose a United States Senator. The four members of Congress from this State will not be chosen until November. For State officers there are two tickets in the field, the Democratic and the Labor-Greenback, the Republicans not having made any nominations. The Democratic ticket is headed by William R. Miller, the present incumbent, Governor, and by Labor-Greenback by Gov. E. G. Bland. The vote of the State in recent years has been:

Year. Officer. Republican. Democratic. 1876. Governor..... 38,669 58,071 1877. Governor..... 38,669 58,071 1878. Governor..... 38,669 58,071 1879. Governor..... 38,669 58,071

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his pickered-teeming lakes and the boy's fun of fish-  
ing in the lake and in the garden. He tells us of the  
and the blue nose and nipping air of the Win-  
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all these memories, and who would give all the  
and influence to go back to the time

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been of better wide seas  
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steadily. He is to many like the letters from home  
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the successes, between that time and the present makes his audience children again "inst

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**BANKRUPT NOTICES.**

THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE  
United States for the Southern District of

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all his debts and other claims provable under said Statutes, and that the 25th day of September 1910 at 10 o'clock A. M. at the office of Mr. John

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 Register, Bankruptcy, No. 4 Warren Street, New York, is assigned for the hearing of the matter, when all creditors, including the estate, and other persons in interest, may appear, and show cause why a discharge should not be granted. Dated New York, 28th of August, 1878.  
 GEO. F. BETTS, Clerk.

THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK.—In the matter of ALFRED P. SUTHERLAND, Debtor. Chapter.—Southern District of New York, etc.—The undersigned, having applied to the court for a discharge in bankruptcy, by order of the court notice is hereby given to all creditors who may be interested in the estate of the debtor, to appear on the eighth of September, A. D. 1878, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, on the premises above specified, to oppose or confirm the discharge of the said debtor, and to file office copies of the said petition, and of the said order of the court, and to show cause why the said petition and the bankruptcy should not be confirmed, why a discharge should not be granted. Dated New York, 28th August, 1878.  
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**THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**  
for the Southern District of New-York.—In  
**HARREN • RANSOM • ARON & CO.**

OF WARREN L. MASON, ARRON P. HANSEN and JOHN C. BROWN, Receivers.

Please take notice that a second general meeting of the creditors of the above named bankrupt will be held at No. 120 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 26th day of January, A.D. 1897, at ten o'clock P.M., at the office of Henry Wilder Allen, one of the Registers in Bankruptcy in said district, under the name and title "Receivers," to receive the claims of the creditors of the United States, title "Bankruptcy."

WILLIAM J. WALKER, Receiver,  
and WALTER ALBERTSON, Assignee, 120 Broadway, New York City.

**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES**  
for the District of New-Jersey,—in the matter  
of ROBERT S. BOGERT, JAMES E. BRATON and  
J. V. BOND, bankrupts; The Phillips Group  
paid bankrupts, having applied to the court for a  
leave to go on their debtors' examination, and  
to pay dividends to all creditors who have proved  
their claims, and to file a statement of assets  
and liabilities, as required by the provisions of  
the act, in said District Court, Rooms, in the City  
of New-Jersey, at said district, on the seventeenth day  
of January, A.D. 1897, at 10 o'clock P.M.;  
that they have, by a discharge should not be  
made to the said bankrupts.

W. S. BELVILLE, Clerk.

**BANKRUPTCY.—DISTRICT OF NEW-J**

A. At Newark, on the 22nd day of August A. D.  
The undersigned hereto gives notice of his ap-  
pointment as Assignee of CHARLES CAMPBELL, of  
Newark, in the County of Essex, and State of New  
Jersey, within said district, who has been adjudged  
bankrupt upon creditors' petition by the District Court  
of the United States for the District of New  
Jersey, at Newark, N. J., do hereby give notice  
to all persons having claims against said bankrupt,  
that they are required to file their claims with me  
at my office, at Newark, N. J., on or before the  
first day of September next.

E. K. MILLER, Assignee, do.  
782 Broadway



